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GENERAL BUTLER RESIGNS MARINE CORPS TO KEEP PHILADELPHIA JOB

Mayor Kendrick Not In Favor of Keeping Butler As Retired Officer, It Is Said—Is Preparing to Name Successor to Army Man

Philadelphia, Dec. 22—General Smedley D. Butler today notified Mayor Freeland Kendrick of Philadelphia that he had resigned from the U. S. Marine corps to continue as Philadelphia's director of Public Safety.

He was reported to have received in reply, from Mayor Kendrick the announcement that Kendrick did not want him to serve, if his status would be that of a retired officer.

After a stormy interview with the mayor, Butler closeted himself with Edwin M .Abbott of the police department, his special counsel, and refused to see newspaper men.

It was reported that after President Coolidge refused to extend Butler's leave of absence as a marine corps officer, Kendrick advanced close to their final stages, preparations to name Butler's successor.

General Butler will notify the department, rescinding his action and assume the command for which he was scheduled, that of the marine base at San Diego, Calif.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. FESS HELD AT YELLOW SPRINGS

Final Rites Take Place In M. E. Church In Charge Of Pastor

Funeral services for Mrs. Eva Fess, 61, wife of United States Senator Simeon D .Fess, Yellow Springs, who died at Washington D. C. Sunday from pneumonia and injuries received in an auto accident, were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Methodist Episcopal Church in Yellow Springs. Interment was made in Glen Forest Cemetery, Yellow Springs.

Services were in charge of the Rev. Joseph Patton, pastor of the M. E. Church, assisted by the Rev. Carl White, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Yellow Springs.

A quartet, composed of Mrs. Kerr, soloist, of Christ Episcopal Church, Springfield; Earl Littleton, Mrs. Earl Littleton, and Fay Kershner, of Yellow Springs, sang "Christian's Good Night." Mr. Little closed with a solo, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought."

Dr. B. R. McClellan and George Little, Xenia; P. M. Stewart, Yellow Springs; Dean Philip C. Nash, Antioch College, and Harry Kissell and Homer Corry, Springfield, were pallbearers.

The body of the wife of Yellow Springs' most prominent citizen arrived in Xenia at 7:10 o'clock Tuesday morning and was met by Earl Littleton, funeral director, Yellow Springs, and friends, and taken directly to the Fess home.

Lowell Fess, Columbus, secretary of the Ohio Retail Merchants' Association, and C. Sumner Fess, Geenfield, arrived in Yellow Springs Monday and were present at the services. Hamilton Lehr Fess, parliamentarian of the House of Representatives, with his father, accompanied the body to Yellow Springs from Washington.

Mrs. Fess had planned to spend Christmas at her home in Yellow Springs and arrangements were being made to remove her from the Washington, D. C., hospital to her home to enable her to enjoy the Christmas holidays with her family, when she contracted her serious illness.

She was prominently connected with the various social societies of the M. E. Church and with the social affairs of Antioch College, of which Senator Fess was formerly president.

Despite the fact Mrs. Fess spent much of her time in Washington, D. C. of late years since her husband's connection with the official life there, she retained many friendships in Yellow Springs and Xenia and her home was the scene of many social affairs during vacations of the family from Washington.

PHONE RATE HEARING OPENS IN COLUMBUS

Columbus, O., Dec. 22.—Hearing on the state-wide investigation of rates of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company opened here today before the public utilities commission.

For the last seven years the question of a "just and reasonable" rate has been before the commission and at the filing of the last increase by the company the old issue was raised.

George B. Williams, Columbus, appraisal engineer, for the company presented the new inventories of the property and holdings of the company.

Upon these new appraisals the company based its case in asking for increased rates.

Rates to be charged in forty communities are based on the new appraisals.

The commission will also consider the rate charged in practically every Ohio city and village before the investigation is concluded.

W. S. McConnaughey, Dayton, chief counsel for the state, appointed by Attorney General Crabbe, declared there was no need for the higher rate.

NOW AND THEN

Congress 100 Years Ago Today

SENATE

Not in session.

HOUSE

Asked President Adams to send President Jefferson's message of 1803 about a trans-continental expedition to the Mouth of the Columbia River.

Debated bill to authorize the Ohio Legislature to sell certain lands appropriated to the use of schools in that state.

Congress Today.

SENATE

Continues world court debate.

Boulder dam hearing resumed before irrigation and reclamation committee.

HOUSE

Considers post office and treasury appropriation bill.

PROHIBITION WILL RECEIVE TEST WHEN AMENDMENT COMES UP

Change Would Abolish Fraud In Procuring Wet Evidence

Washington, Dec. 22.—Prohibition will have its first test vote of the session in congress today and the vaunted increased strength of the wets will be put on the scales.

The medium of the test will be a vote in the house on an amendment to the proposed plan of $250,000 for the purchase of evidence by dry agents. The amendment forbids the use of "fraud, deceit or falsehood in procuring evidence."

More than anything else, the practice of agents in "trapping" persons into violating the dry law, has been denounced by speakers in the house.

So active have been the wets on the question and so encouraging to them has been the support of some members hitherto considerd impregnably dry that the feeling hs become prevlent that the drys are on the defensive.

Whether the wets have actually gained any votes this season, will, it is expected, be shown on the vote.

ROAD HOUSE PARTY RAIDED BY POLICE

Cleveland, Dec. 22—For the second time in a week a roadhouse "stag" party in the vicinity of Cleveland, has foundered on the rocks of the law, this time with the police blotter recording 237 arrests, including three women who, in what police described as "nature's regala" entertained the stags at the Raccoon Club last night.

"The club is surrounded—don't try to escape" officers told the visitors.

The rush for the exits paralleled a subway jam.

Some escaped by recklessly leaping from second story windows but others stood their ground, stunned and unable to contemplate a move.

The prisoners, including the women, formed into squads and marched to police headquarters.

WESTERN CROOK IS CAUGHT IN NEW YORK

New York, Dec. 22.—E. A. "Big Hutch" Hutchings, one of the most picturesque crooks operating in the West, was held in jail here today at the request of California authorities.

He was arrested last night by Detectives Hauptman of the New York force and taken to city prison where he will remain pending arraignment.

APPROVE MANDATE

London, Dec. 22.—The government's course toward the Iraq mandate has approval of the House of Commons. That body, despite a demonstrative quitting of the hall by the laborites, endorsed 329 to 4 the acceptance of the league of Nations Council, award of Mosul to Iraq on the understanding that England should take the mandate for 25 years and permit Iraq to enter the league at an early date if possible.

CHRISTMAS BUYING IS HEAVY

BELATED SHOPPERS SWAMP OHIO STORES AND BREAK RECORDS

Early Shopping Drives Successful—Business Shows Increase

Columbus, Dec. 22.—The hectic crush of belated yuletide shoppers—the inevitable jam that enlivens the waning days before Christmas—swamped the Buckeye mercantile establishments today.

Buckeyes—7,000,000 of them from the tiny tad to great-grandfathers, were preparing or had prepared for one of the most prosperous and bountiful holiday seasons in the history of the state.

The state association of retail merchants, in a report prepared for the United Press, estimated that more than $25,000,000 has already been dumped into the coffers of Yule Tide cheer and that a few more million will be spent in the next few days.

As eleventh hour buyers swooped down on the stores, merchants throughout the state reported unusually heavy buying, in most instances, out stripping 1924 sales from 15 to 50 per cent.

Holiday shopping began earlier this year than ever before due in many instances to "Shop-Early" campaigns carried on by the merchants.

A survey of some of the principal retail shopping centers revealed the following:

Columbus—Volume of Christmas business running 15 per cent higher than last year. Shopping season opened ten day earlier.

Toledo—Demand for goods has not reached expectations although merchants are satisfied.

Cincinnati—Christmas buying has been of record breaking proportions.

Cleveland—Christmas buying showing forty per cent increase over last year.

Springfield—Holiday sales have increased 25 per cent and still larger increase expected with last minute rush.

SLAYER CAUGHT IN RUNNING BATTLE

Cleveland, Dec. 22—With his right knee shattered by a bullet, William Lewis, Cleveland, was held under heavy police guard here today in connection with the death of Frank Wilson, 32. Wilson died early this morning.

Lewis was shot down and captured after a running gun battle, the climax of a quarrel among Lewis and his companions and Wilson in which the latter was shot.

Detectives said Lewis was wanted for various offenses. When the officers attempted to arrest him Lewis drew a revolver and opened fire.

A running gun battle followed.

FRENCH AMBUSHED, SLAIN BY REBELS

Bagdad, Dec. 22—A convoy arriving here today reported that two French officers and one hundred men were ambushed and massacred when rebels surrounded Homs to the north of Damascus.

The district was reported alive with pillage and murder increasing.

Agency dispatches to London over night claimed new successes for the Druse tribesmen who were reported to have taken the town of Khyam and to have attacked two other towns near the Palestine border.

FENG YUH SIANG TROOPS WEAKENING

London, Dec. 22—Troops of Feng Yuh Siang, after nearly a fortnight on the Yang Tsun front, were reported by the Daily Mail's Yang Tsun correspondent today to be weakening. Feng was reported to have suffered heavy losses in his hitherto vain efforts to dislodge the Li Ching Lin troops.

The correspondent pictured the plains as covered with dead.

ARRESTS FOLLOW CLASH OF WORKERS

Tokio, Dec. 22—Extensive arrests were made today of ring-leaders in a clash between groups of 1500 workers at Tsurumi, between Tokio and Yokohama who had battled with swords, rifles and revolvers.

More than one hundred were reported killed and wounded in the action which grew out of friction between laborers employed by rival contractors.

Frank Munsey Dies After Brief Illness; Publisher Began Career With $40 Capital

New York, Dec. 22.—Frank A. Munsey, newspaper and magazine publisher, died today at Lenox Hill Hospital after a short illness following an operation.

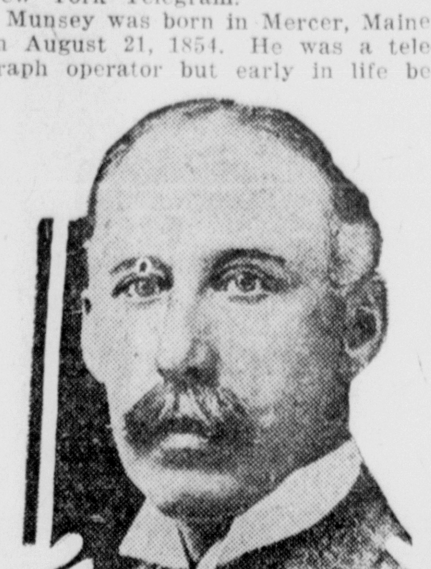
Munsey had been ill a short time and the operation was performed last Sunday but yesterday a second operation was necessary. During the night he suffered a relapse and died at 6 a. m. today.

The publisher was in his 72 year.

Frank Munsey had earned in newspaper circles the sobriquent of a "dealer in dailies."

During his lifetime he owned, at different periods, seventeen newspapers, but at the time of his death had only two, the New York Sun and New York Telegram.

Munsey was born in Mercer, Maine, on August 21, 1854. He was a telegraph operator but early in life became interested in the publishing field.



FRANK A. MUNSEY.

With $40 as his sole capital, he came to New York at the age of 28 and founded the Argosy, an illustrated weekly juvenile magazine. The contributions of Horatio Alger, Jr., aided in making this effort a success.

Munsey's Weekly then was started but fared indifferently. It was changed to Munsey's Monthly and its circulation advanced to 700,000 at the peak of its popularity.

His first venture in the newspaper field came in 1890. He bought the daily Continent here and later merged it with the Star, old Tammany organ. The New York Daily News, the Washington Times, the Boston Journal, the Philadelphia Times and Baltimore News and the New York Press were purchased and sold within the next two decades or so.

Munsey's most recent juournalistic exploits took place here with his sale of the Herald to the Tribune, the absorption of the Globe by the Sun, under the merger of the Mail with the Telegram.

Among magazines which ceased publication after being purchased by Munsey, were the Scrap Book, the Puritan, the Godfeys, The Womans, The Cavieler and Petersons.

Munsey was a close friend of Theodore Roosevelt and was a leader in the Bull Moose party. It was believed he would have been Ambassador to Great Britain had Roosevelt been elected in 1912.

RAILWAY CARBARNS ROBBED BY BANDITS IN TOLEDO TUESDAY

Three Hold Up Men Get $4,125 In Raid On Day's Receipts

Toledo, O., Dec. 22—Three bandits held up the Starr Ave. carbarns of the Toledo Traction Company at 3:45 a.m. today and escaped with $4,125 the receipts of cars operating from the barns yesterday.

The robbery was carried out with clock-like precision.

Five company employes were sitting in the conductor's waiting room, when one of the bandts entered.

"What is the best route to Cleveland from here?" he asked.

A second man entered displaying an automatic, then a third man, brandishing a shotgun joined his companions.

The employes were compelled to lie on the floor. While two of the bandits stood over the employes, the third entered the cashiers office, gathered up two money boxes containing $3,900, rifled the cash drawers, summoned his companions and fled.

Police had found no traces of the intruders at a late hour today.

ELSIE MACKAY WILL FIGHT DIVORCE CASE

Liverpool, Dec. 22—Elsie Mackay, wife of Lionel Atwill, and Max Montesole, the young English player of whom Atwill alleges his wife became enamored, arrived here today aboard the Liner Samaria, from the United States.

Miss Mackay said her lawyers in New York had been instructed to defend the suit for divorce, Atwill filed against her. She denied the allegations of improper conduct contained in the suit.

CARRYING OF ARMS MAY BE CHECKED

Paris, Dec. 22.—The Briand cabinet today authorized the minister of justice to present to the Chamber a bill tightening restrictions on carrying arms and permitting dissolution of organizations, members of which carry arms.

The measure is aimed at Fascist and Communist organizations, which might produce trouble.

INDIANA TOWN HAS HEAVY FIRE LOSS

Portland, Ind., Dec. 22.—Fire swept the heart of Portland's business district today resulting in property damage estimated at $1,000,000. The Weiler business block, the largest building in the city was burned to the ground and adjoining buildings were damaged by the flames.

SALE DATES RESERVED
Jan. 14—J. W. Carter.

WINTER OFFICIALLY RETURNS AS SUMMER REACHES SOUTHLAND

Globe Passes Point That Marks Winter Solstice In Hemisphere

Washington, Dec. 22—Winter stole on the Northern Hemphisphere and flung its cooling arm about it.

Summer was ushered into the Southern Hemisphere at the same time.

Careening on its monotonous journey around the sun, the earthly globe at that precise moment swept through that astronomical point of time that marks our winter solstice.

Unseasonable cold weather became seasonable here and reports of hot waves came from Argentine and related regions. Except for a slight drunken angle, the earth would perpetually be condemned to the same round of weather the world over. But because of it the Northern Hemisphere is nearest the sun at one end of its orbit, while the southern end is nearest at the other.

Just now the northern half is turned away, meaning winter.

GOVERNOR REFUSES DEMPSEY-WILLS GO

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 22.—Gov. Alex J. Groesbeck, of Michigan today refused to consider proposals that the Dempsey-Wills heavyweight bout scheduled for next summer be held on Mackinac Island.

The governor previously declared that he would not allow championship fights in Michigan and his action today in refusing the request of Floyd Fitzsimmons promoter is in keeping with that policy.

MENNONITE COLONY IS MOVING TO TEXAS

Portal, N. D., Dec. 21—A special train carrying 200 Old Colony Mennonites marks another exodus of the sect which is being rapidly transplanted from Wymark and Blumenhof, Sask., to San Antonio, Texas.

The migration commenced when the Saskatchewan Government insisted that the colony members comply with the school attendance act.

JULIAN IS BOOSTED TO SUCCEED MOORE IN DEMOCRAT RANKS

Cincinnati Man Said To Have Enough Votes For Committee Job

Columbus, Dec. 22.—The Democratic state central committee met here today to select a successor to the late E. H. Moore, Democratic National Committeeman from Ohio.

Supporters of W. A. Julian, Cincinnati shoe manufacturer, were claiming a majority vote for Julian as the body convened.

Others mentioned but whose election was considered improbable were W. B. Gongwer, Cleveland and George White of Marietta, the latter former committeeman.

Julian was understood to have the support of W. W. Durbin, Kenton, former state chairman, about whom a warm inter-party fight centered several years ago.

Gov. Vic Donahey will espouse the cause of none of the candidates it was understood at the executive offices this morning.

It was generally believed however, that the Governor favors the election of Julian, whose supporters were claiming 144 votes, a majority sufficient to elect.

Julian was the Democratic nominee for U. S. Senator in 1920 but was defeated by Senator Frank B. Willis, the Republican choice.

CAT'S NIP SPELLS ARREST FOR MAN

Cleveland, O., Dec. 22—A cat's "nip" spelt arrest for William Bassett, here today. The New York Central Station cat staggered around the baggage room. Every few minutes he would disappear behind a trunk and come back just a little more unsteady than he had been.

The baggagemaster decided to investigate. The next time the cat disappeared from view he followed him. He saw him go behind a trunk and lick up some liquid from one of them. A smell confirmed his fears that the cat had been drinking liquor.

An hour later Bassett, called for the trunk and was met by a policeman. Opened, the trunk revealed thirty-six quarts of Canadian liquor. Seven of the bottles were broken.

JAIL FOLKS TO HAVE BIG FEED

Jail life isn't so bad after all. Christmas rolls around once more and prisoners in the Greene County Jail will feast again with the best, according to Sheriff Morris Sharp.

Mrs. Sharp, matron of the jail, has prepared an appetizing menu, which she believes, will rival the "feed" given guests in the county bastile Thanksgiving Day.

The between twenty-five and thirty prisoners will have chicken with oyster dressing, cranberries, mashed potatoes with gravy, and pumpkin pie for desert.

JAPANESE WOMAN IS ADDING CHAMPION

Tokyo, (By mail to the United Press)—Dec. 22—Mikiko Miki, 43 year old woman employee of the Postal Savings Bureau, is the champion Japanese adding machine expert of the Empire.

In a contest for speed on the soroban, or abacus, the Japanese adding board, the woman operator added 200 advice slips, each containing from three to six numerical figures, in 3.20 minutes. Mrs. Miki has held the speed record on the abacus for 35 years.

KANSAS CITY WILL BE DRY TONIGHT

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 22.—A dry Christmas and New Years day are forecast for Kansas City as a result of a raid staged here last night by a combination of forces of the sheriff's office, the prosecutor's office and police department.

Armed with 200 search warrants the squads swept down on local bootleggers in one of the most extensive raids in the history of the city.

Fifty eight places were raided, 153 persons arrested and thousands of bottles of wine, beer and whiskey were seized.

The net haul of the raids was: 240 gallons of whiskey, 30 galons of alcohol, 607 gallons of wine, 15,400 pints of beer, 133 barrels of whiskey mash, 240 barrels of beer mash.

This does not include a huge quantity of liquor destroyed at the places raided.

DAYTON FLYERS MAY BE NAMED AVIATORS FOR PROPOSED TRIP

Mac Ready and Doolittle Mentioned—Ford Said Back of Plans

Detroit, Dec. 22.—(United Press)—Flying circles here today awaited official confirmation or denial of recent persistent rumors that a trans-Polar non-stop airplane flight will be backed by Detroit aviation interests.

There were two reports current. One linking the name of Henry Ford with the projected flight and the other the Detroit Aviation Society.

Both reports indicated the flight would take off from Point Barrow, Alaska for Spitzbegen, either in April or May.

Mentioned in connection with the reports were Lieut. MacReady and Lieut. Doolittle, army trans-ontinental fliers, and George Wilkins, of England, veteran of two south Polar flights. Actual backers of the flight and details such as types of planes to be used have not been announced.

New York, Dec. 22—Reports that Detroit aviation interests are backing a proposed non-stop polar flight gained credence here when it was learned that George Wilkins, veteran of two South Pole expeditions and Malcom A. Smith, an Alaskan prospector had left for Detroit.

Doctor Bowman, director of the American Geographical Society and Vilhjalmur Steffansson are mentioned in connection with the reports.

AIR LINK PLANNED

Detroit, Dec. 22—An air line linking North and South America, via Key West, the West Indies and Georgetown. British Giunia will be opened as soon as equipment and permission can be obtained, R. M. Chambers, president of the Florida Airways Corporation has announced.

The line would shorten the distance between New York and South America to twenty-four hours, Chambers said.

Operation of the line however will not be undertaken until the corporation has obtained triple engine planes. The plans Chamber admitted are still in a tentative stage.

Officials of the Florida Corporation expected today to leave Detroit Thursday by air for the south to inaugurate the first American passenger and freight line between Tampa and Miami.

FISHERMAN BOUND WITH WIRE, ROBBED

Toledo, Dec. 22.—Bound with wire, his head drawn down between his knees, so that he could not move, Charles Dart, aged recluse fisherman and trapper, was found in his shanty on Edgewater Road today, the victim of bandits who held him up and robbed him of $1500, his life's savings last night.

When the wires were cut, Dart collapsed. Welts arose on his arms and legs where the wires had been tightly drawn, impairing circulation.

After being revived, Dart said three bandits stormed his shanty early last night, took the money which the aged man carried on his person, then ransacked tne house, tearing up bedding carpets and everything movable.

Dart, who said he had no faith in banks, always carried his money in a hip pocket.

STRIKE SETTLEMENT PLANS LARGE SET BACK

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 22.—Latest attempt to bring together anthracite operators and miners for negotiations which would end the hard coal strike has received a set-back which probably will keep it in abeyance until after Christmas.

After an exchange of telegrams, Mayor John F. Durkan, chairman of the committee of anthracite region mayors, announced that a meeting which had been set for this afternoon would not be held.

Despite this sudden hitch in the negotiations, executives feel that the miners and operators are closer to an end of the suspension than at anytime since September under that a renewal of peace efforts after the holidays is reasonably certain of success.

AD. ON PARROTS SURE TALKED.

A classified ad on parrots and canaries inserted for three days in the classified columns of The Gazette and The Republican carried the message to thousands of Greene County people and brought fine results for the advertiser, Mrs. Clark Poland, 509 W. Main Street.

Hundreds are getting results from classified ads in The Gazette and The Republican. These little ads are being widely read and being used more and more by bargain hunters everywhere.

If you have something for sale, or a room for rent, phone an ad to Phone 111 tomorrow.

CHRISTMAS EVE BRINGS CLOSE TO CONTEST; GIVE PRIZES OUT LATER

Contestants in the Detroit Street Merchants' Association race for possession of the Willys-Knight coupe-sedan, and the nine cash prizes offered by the local merchants will have to get busy between now and Christmas eve.

No votes will be given away by members of the association after Thursday night, December 24. An error in the full-page advertisement carried by The Gazette Monday night and in Tuesday morning's Republican gave the impression that the vote collecting should be completed by Wednesday night, due to a misunderstanding in the advertising copy.

Votes will be counted December 24, 26, 28, 29 and 30 and will be accepted until December 30. Winners of the automobile and cash prizes will be announced as soon as the tabulation of votes is completed, it is said.

Two million votes are out in the contest, which has become heated during the several weeks of progress.

BRIDGEPORT
CHISTMAS PROGRAM

Young people of the White Chapel M. E. Sunday School will render a Christmas concert exercises, "Shepherds of Long Ago," at the church Wednesday evening at 7:45 o'clock, to which the public is invited.

WINTER USHERED IN BY LIGHT SNOWFALL

Heralding the approach of a "white Christmas", Old Man Winter made his official bow in Xenia, Tuesday accompanied by snow flurries and moderately cold weather which experts expect to prevail through Christmas Day.

Tuesday a thin blanket of snow covered the city while Wednesday is expected to be generally colder but fair.

The mercury dropped Tuesday to a point heretofore untouched this month

Monday was the shortest day of the year and starting Tuesday, days will begin to be just a little longer.

GAELIC NAME HURTS BUSINESS OF TOWN

Dublin, Dec. 22.—The Urban Council of Bray, County Wicklow, is beginning to wish it had not been so enthusiastic in adopting an Irish name for their town.

Bray is a fairly fashionable resort, and in the season derives a considerable income from tourists. Some time ago the council changed its name to "Bri Chualann," and a marked slump in the tourist traffic was noticed.

The townspeople, in consequence, decided to return to the old name, but the Wicklow County Council refused to give its assent. Permission was given to use "Bray" in brackets underneath the "Bri" but the residents say this will afflict their town with three names, and will result in worse confusion than ever.

EAST END NEWS

Mrs. Ruth Lewis of Sedalia, Mo., came to be the holiday guest of her mother, Mrs. Hamilton of East Second Street and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Clemens in company with their mother, Mrs. Charles Wright of N. Columbus St., left Sunday by motor to be the holiday guests of relatives in Louisville, Ky.

Prof. Arthur Taylor of East Main St., received a telegram Sunday night, announcing the death of his uncle, Mr. John Middletown of Indianapolis. Mr. Taylor left Monday. The remains may be brought to this city for burial.

Mrs. Ira De Reid, formerly Miss Gladys Scott, of New York City, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scott.

Members and friends of the women's Auxiliary, John Roan Post, No. 517 will meet at J. C. Johnson's Tuesday evening, at 7:30 for important business.

RUSSO-TURK TREATY

Berlin, Dec. 22.—The Soviet embassy here confirmed today to the United Press the conclusion of a Russo-Turkish treaty which presumably is calculated to counteract British influence in the Near East.

For Colds, Grip or Influenza

and as a Preventive, take Laxative BROMO QUININE Tablets. A Safe and Proven Remedy. The box bears the signature of E. W. Grove. 30c.—Adv.

OSTRICHES KILLED FOR SKIN AND FLESH

Port Elizabeth, South Africa, Dec. 22. —Because of the lack of demand overseas for their feathers ostriches are being slaughtered wholesale for their skins and flesh.

The skins are used for fancy shoes, while the flesh is dried for the use of Rand natives. In the Sundays River district alone 6,000 birds have been slaughtered.

SPRING HILL PARENT-TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION
Will Hold a Market
Ralph Neeld's
Thursday Morning,
December 24th
At 9 o'clock.
Everything good to eat.

30 Head of Horses and Mules
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26
Sale Every Second and Fourth Saturday of Each Month

SELLERS and FISTE
HORSE and MULE CO.
XENIA, OHIO.

TELEPHONE YOUR WANT ADS

The Charters
Jewelry Store
Will be open evenings until Christmas for the convenience of our patrons.
J. Thorb Charters
44 East Main St.

An Appropriate Gift For Every Member Of The Family As A Last Minute Gift
Slippers Fill The Bill
New colorful styles for Women. A fine smooth fitting Felt and Soft Leather Slippers for Men.
S. & S. Shoe Store
—S. and S. Sells For Less—

Wreaths
We specialize in wreaths for Christmas. Hundreds of wreaths to choose from.
We place them on the graves if desired.
Why not get our prices and save money?
Also all kinds of Christmas cut flowers.
THE ENGLE FLORAL CO
Dayton Hill at Cemetery

Free WILLYS-KNIGHT COUPE-SEDAN Free

Wednesday, December 23rd WILL BE THE LAST Double Vote Day

9 CASH PRIZES

2nd Prize, $300	5th Prize, $50	8th Prize, $15
3rd Prize, $150	6th Prize, $25	9th Prize, $10
4th Prize, $75	7th Prize, $20	10th Prize, $5

One Vote WITH Every Ten Cent Cash Purchase

Votes Will Be Issued By These Merchants Until The Various Stores Are Closed
Thursday Evening, December 24th
Votes will be received and counted at Hutchison and Gibney Store on December 24, 26, 28, 29, 30.
Please bring votes in for counting, soon as possible to avoid delay in completion of count.
WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AND PRIZES GIVEN AWAY WHEN COUNTING OF VOTES IS COMPLETED

No Votes Accepted For Counting After 12 O'clock Noon Dec. 30th

Trade With These Merchants
C. L. BABB Hardware Store
COATES BARBER SHOP
THE CRITERION
THE DAVIS OIL CO.
GEYER BOOK SHOP
HUTCHISON & GIBNEY Department Store
MOSER'S SHOE STORE
M. A. ROSS GROCERY
STILES COAL CO.
VALET PRESS SHOP

Two Million Votes Cannot Be Counted In One Day

10 Prizes Given Away

Detroit Street Merchants Association

10 Prizes Given Away

Social-Personal-Clubs

THE NICEST courtesy you can show your guests is to have their visits mentioned on this page. The nicest courtesy you can show your friends is to let them learn of your visit through this page when ever you go away. The Gazette and Republican consider it a courtesy whenever you turn in an item of any kind. PHONE 70.

[IN]TERESTING MARRIAGE [AT] YELLOW SPRINGS TUESDAY

[W]ith impressive dignity, the mar[ria]ge of Miss Darlington Bowman [Sh]owell, daughter of Mrs. May Bow[ma]n Showell, Yellow Springs and [Mr.] Francis Adams Comstock, Prince[ton], N. J., was solemnized at Presby[teri]an Church, Yellow Springs, Tues[day] afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

[D]r. Charles Ryan Adams, of Cov[ena]nt Presbyterian Church, Spring[fiel]d, O., performed the ceremony. [A s]mall group of relatives and close [frie]nds of the couple attended. The [we]dding service was preceded by a [half] hour's program of nuptial music [by] Miss Marguerite Williams, Yel[low] Springs musician, at the organ. [M]iss Williams' numbers included: [Lo]ve Song" by Nevin; "The Swan" [by] Saint Saens; "Berceuse' 'by Palm[gre]n; "Meditation" from "Thais" by [Ma]ssenet; "Elsa's Dream" from Lo[hen]grin" by Wagner; "Elsa's Bridal [Pro]cession," from "Lohengrin."

[O]n the entrance of the bridal [par]ty, Miss Williams played the [Br]idal Chorus" from "Lohengrin" [and] during the ceremony, "O Perfect [Lov]e" by Barnby was played softly. [The] service was followed by the [W]edding March" by Mendelssohn.

[The] only bridal attendants were [a n]iece of the bride, little Miss [Dar]lington Showell Titus, Yellow [Spr]ings and Mr. William McKnight, [frie]nd of the bridegroom, of New [Yor]k City. The dainty miss wore a [fro]ck of Alice blue chiffon and car[ried] a nosegay of pink roses.

[T]he bride's costume was a gown [of b]rown chiffon, embroidered in gold [with] a coat of kasha cloth in brown. [The] coat collar and cuffs and revere [wer]e formed of natural lace and the [outf]it was completed with a small [hat] of blue. Her flowers were yellow [rose]s.

[T]he wedding was followed by a [dinn]er at the home of the bride's [mot]her, for a few relatives of the [cou]ple. Mr. and Mrs. Comstock left [Tue]sday night for New Jersey and [will] reside in Princeton. Mr. Com[stoc]k is employed in an architect's [offic]e in New York City.

[M]rs. Comstock attended Miss [...]'s School at Bryn Mawr, Pa., [and] Wittenberg College, Springfield.

[WE]DDING SOLEMNIZED [AT J]AMESTOWN SATURDAY

[A q]uiet wedding was solemnized Sat[urda]y at 1 o'clock at the home of the [Rev.] J. F. Gordon, Jamestown, when [Miss] Dorothy Sheely, daughter of Mr. [and] Mrs. William E. Sheely, Ross [Twp]., and Mr. Harley E. Donnelly, [son] of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Donnelly, [...]ville, O., were united in marriage. [Th]e couple was unattended. They [chos]e Saturday for their marriage [sinc]e it marked the twenty-fifth wed[ding] anniversary of the bride's par[ents].

[Th]e bride was charmingly gowned [in a] frock of blue satin back crepe, [trim]med with touches of beige. She [wore] a black velour hat and black [satin] slippers with beige hose.

[Mr]. Donnelly has been an electro[type] finisher at the Crowell Publish[ing C]ompany, Springfield for the past [...] years. The young couple will [reside] at 519 W. North St., Springfield.

[LEG]ION AUXILIARY [OFFI]CERS ARE ELECTED

[Mr]s. G. N. Pillsbury was elected [presi]dent of the Women's Auxiliary, [of th]e American Legion, succeeding [Mrs.] Homer Spahr, at the monthly [...] meeting Monday evening.

[Mi]ss Helen Evers was elected vice-[presi]dent; Mrs. William Fraver, treas[urer] and Mrs. William Rickles, secre[tary]. Mrs. Homer Spahr, former pres[ident], presided.

[Del]icious refreshments were served [by th]e hostess committee, composed [of M]rs. Morris Sharp, Mrs. Margaret [...]en and Mrs. Earl Allen.

[A] parcel sale was held, the money [to b]e used for filling Christmas bas[kets] for four ex-soldiers' families. Ar[range]ments were made to send fruit [and] candy to the National Military [Hom]e, Dayton, for Christmas.

[CHU]RCH SOCIETY [ENT]ERTAINED MONDAY

[Lig]ht Brigade, First Lutheran [Chur]ch, was delightfully entertained [at a] Christmas party Monday, given [by M]iss Edna Mellage, Light Brigade [supe]rintendent.

[A dev]otional meeting was held pre[cedin]g the party. Exchange of gifts [was] an interesting part of the occa[sion] followed by a tempting salad [cours]e. An informal social hour was [enjoy]ed during the remainder of the [after]noon.

[Wor]ds of Christmas cheer and do[natio]ns of fruit were sent out by the [societ]y. Light Brigade has earned $50 [for th]e treasury as a Christmas gift [throu]gh the members selling 500 cook[books]. Prize in the contest has not [been] awarded.

[SECO]ND ANNUAL [SOR]ORITY PARTY

[Th]e Misses Eleanor and Grace [...]an, W. Second St., attended the [annu]al pine party, a bridge tea, for [Delta] Delta Delta sorority, at the [home] of Mrs. Dwight Young, Dayton, [Mond]ay.

[Eig]ht tables were in play during [the a]fternoon and refreshments were [serve]d from small tables centered [with] red candles in green holders sur[round]ed with pine and holly sprays. [A l]arge Christmas tree stood in one [corne]r and favors were red boxes [decor]ated with a Christmas tree and [filled] with candy. Pine, the sorority [emble]m, predominated in the decora[tion] scheme with branches of the [pine] tied with red bows placed over [the fi]replace.

[FINA]L REHEARSAL [FOR] CHORAL CONCERT

[Xe]nia Choral Society will hold a [final] rehearsal at the First Methodist [Chur]ch, Tuesday evening at 7:30 [o'cloc]k, for the Christmas program [to be] given next Sunday.

[The] choral society will sing Yule[tide] carols of all the nations at the [First M.] E. Church Sunday afternoon [at ... o'cl]ock. Program of the concert [will] be announced later.

[Mr]s. Charles Katz, Highland Ave., [Sprin]gfield, entertained with dinner [Sunda]y evening honoring her sister, [Mrs.] Thomas Reddy and children, [...] Carol, Kathleen and Janice of [Detroi]t, Mich., who have been visit[ing in] Springfield and Xenia for sev[eral w]eeks.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS HOLDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Members of Mrs. V. F. Brown's Sunday School Class were delightfully entertained at a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Brandt Bell, Monday evening.

The elaborate Christmas decorations included a Christmas tree, around which the members exchanged gifts. Delightful refreshments were served by the hostess and her assistants.

REFORMED CHURCH PARTY

Christmas songs and recitations will feature the Christmas entertainment to be given Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock, at the First Reformed Church. A "treat' will be given to all the scholars of the Sunday School. An offering will be taken for the orphans in the church home at Ft. Wayne, Ind. The public is invited.

Glady Community Club will hold a meeting at Community hall Friday evening, December 25. Each family is requested to bring candy and pop corn balls.

Hilltop Community Club will meet Wednesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock. A Christmas program will be given.

Mrs. John W. Coates, 12 Race St., has been seriously ill for the past week, suffering from an abscess in the back of her eye. She is slowly improving.

Mr. Edwin Reutinger, traveling salesman for the Tracy-Wells sporting good house in Columbus, arrived in Xenia from West Virginia, Monday to spend the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Clara Reutinger, North Detroit Street.

Miss Bertha Warwick, who has been confined to her bed the past two weeks with illness is improving.

Miss Mary Crawford, West Church Street, has taken a position in the classified department of The Gazette and The Republican.

Augleta, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orie Harness, E. Second St., underwent an operation for mastoid at the McClellan Hospital, Sunday morning. Dr. Lawrence Shields performed the operation.

Miss Elizabeth Piper, North King Street, student at the Dayton Art Institute, will spend a part of the Christmas vacation with relatives in Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Baldner and family, of Lansing, Mich., will spend the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Baldner's mother, Mrs. Rosa Bloom, West Second Street.

Mrs. Donald McPherson, South Mechanic Street, has been ill with pneumonia for several days, but is improving.

Gene Swartz, small son of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Swartz, Shoup Apts., North Collier Street, has been ill with a severe cold.

Mrs. Mahlon McPherson, Paintersville, was removed to the McClellan hospital ,this city, Monday to undergo an operation in a few days.

Mr. J. G. St. John, near Cliton, is suffering from a badly sprained ankle caused by a recent fall.

Mr. and Mrs. R .C. Kohnle and daughter, Mary Louise, Dayton, and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Baldner, this city will be entertained at Christmas dinner by Mr. and Mrs. George Baldner, N. King St.

Mr. Marcus McCallister, student at the law school of the University of Cincinnati, arrived home Sunday to spend the Christmas vacation.

Rose Marie, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Linkhart, Springfield Pike, born December 17, died last Saturday. Brief services were held at the parents home with interment in Byron Cemetery.

Mrs. Houston Cherry, county Sunshine Society president, requests all who are saving votes for that organization to leave them not later than Thursday morning at the office of Hutchison and Gibney Store, marked with her name or that of the Sunshine Society. Contest closes Thursday night at 9 o'clock.

Members of Mrs. A. E. Faulkner's Sunday School class of the First M. E. Church are asked to bring donations for Christmas baskets to Mrs. Faulkner's home on W. Second St., not later than Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. William Houston Kenyon, New York City, are spending the holidays with Xenia relatives.

Mrs. Winifred Armstrong, W. Second St., left Monday night for Chatham, N. J., to spend the holidays with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Norton.

Paul Galliger, who attends St. Joseph's College, will arrive home Tuesday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Galliger.

Mrs. W. E. Richardson, Fairground Rd., left Saturday morning for San Antonio, Tex., to spend two weeks with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Richardson.

Mrs. Anna M. Haverstick, West Market Street, is leaving Wednesday morning for Dayton, to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Reynolds and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reynolds.

Miss Aline Gillespie, Covington, Ky., is spending a few days with Mrs. Margaret Reynolds, North King St.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Whittington, W. Main Street, is leaving Thursday for Dayton, to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Enyeart.

Miss Nellie Fletcher, West Palm Beach, Fla., is expected to arrive Thursday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fletcher, West Second Street.

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On The Air From Cincinnati

Third annual Christmas Festival, at Music Hall, Cincinnati, will be celebrated over WLW, Tuesday night at 7 o'clock and "listeners-in" will meet Santa Claus and his helpers. Concert orchestra will be on the air at 9 o'clock.

Werner Burkhardt will give so[-]prano solos over WSAI Tuesday evening at 6 o'clock. Program from New York, featuring a saxophone octet will be given at 6:30. Concert orchestra, under direction of Reube[n] Lawson, will give a children's concert at 7 o'clock. Another hour of music from New York will begin at [...] o'clock, followed by a radio au[c]t[ion] bridge game from New York at [...] o'clock.

Musical program from WSAI [will] be heard at 9:30 and Hotel Sinton orchestra will broadcast at 12.

Marion McKay's Orchestra [will] play over WKRC at 10 o'clock [and] Miss Marie Turner will give a "[...] minutes of blues." Hotel Alms [or]chestra will play at 11 o'clock.

PORT WILLIAM

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Herchey [and] daughter, Francis, have removed [from] the Earley farm into Mrs. Ann Smith apartment.

Mrs. William Stitsworth and son, Harry, of Grape Grove, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Neal at supper on Sunday.

The High School students sang Christmas carols on the streets on Monday evening to those that were confined to their homes on account of sickness.

Mrs. Belle Powers is spending a few weeks in Xenia with relatives.

Miss Ada Bone entertained the Young Girls Sunday School class at a Christmas party recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Smith and family of Wilmington have moved into J. A. Stephens property.

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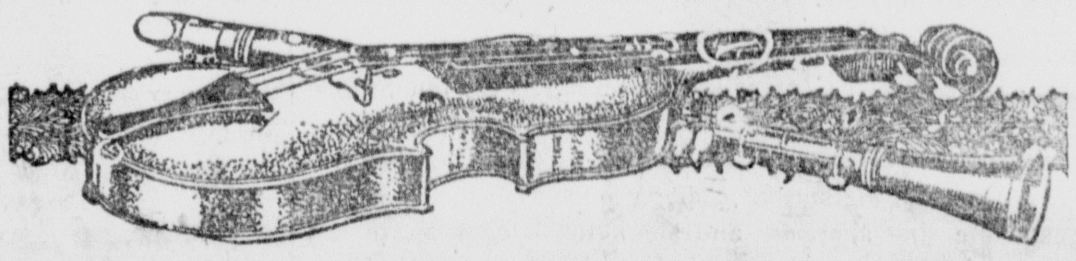

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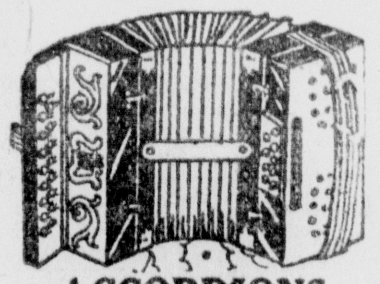

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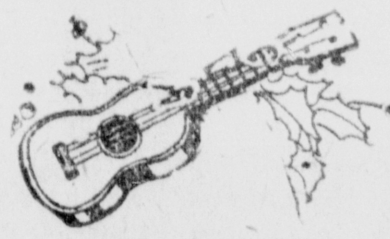

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HAVE A HEART.

THERE are not so many shopping days before Christmas as there were when first you were asked to do your Christmas buying early, and there is no hope that the number is going to increase between now and midnight of the twenty-fourth. Nor will prices be reduced; nor will the quality of the goods now on the shelves increase. So why linger and delay?

Perhaps there are those who thought that "Do your Christmas shopping early" is a slogan devised by merchants who thought they would sell more goods if people bought early, and then took thought, and discovered that there was more buying they ought to do. But while that doubtless occurred to the merchants, it was not by any means the controlling motive that inspired the shop-early propaganda which greets us annually.

The fact is, the request for early Christmas shopping came, first, chiefly from the postoffices, the express companies, the railroads and the sales and delivery people, all of whom found themselves swamped by a tidal wave that hit them suddenly and left them devastated. Some way had to be found for controlling this tide, for distributing its volume. So an attempt was made to educate the public into buying early and shipping early.

The fear of the merchant is not so much that his sales will not reach the hoped-for peak as that his future will be jeopardized. There is nothing that so disrupts a carefully-built organization as the overstrain of the two or three days—and nights—of hurried and harried labor before Christmas. Clerks break down; some of them leave; others are not fit again for some time, and meanwhile system goes to the dogs and the sales-machine has to be rebuilt. Customers, too, offended by some frazzled employe, get sore and vow never to trade there again. So the merchant, desiring to serve his public well, asks the public to help him to do so by distributing Christmas buying over as long a period as possible.

So it behooves the public, since it wants service, to remember that the chief element in that service is the human element and that the human machine breaks under undue strain just like any piece of machinery. And because Christmas is a time for special charity to all humans, it is only reasonable that shoppers and shippers be considerate of the store clerk, the postal employe and the servants of the express companies and railways. They want to enjoy Christmas, too. Why make the Yuletide hateful to them? Have a heart. Do your Christmas shopping early.

HOW WEALTH IS ACQUIRED.

EVERYONE knows instances of wealth gained through "good fortune" or speculation but doubtless the Urbana Democrat's editor is right in his contention that there are far more persons who have lost heavily through speculation or investment in property of which they knew nothing. He says:

"The idea is held by many that they can gain wealth by some lucky speculation. They can of course find instances, where people have made money without knowing much about the field where they were investing. But there are a far greater number of cases where people have lost money because they invested in forms of property with which they were unfamiliar.

"The majority of people who have acquired wealth have gotten it by their thorough knowledge of the business field into which they put their money and effort. If they earned it in some line of business, they usually got it because they understood that business better than the people with whom they competed, and because they put more energy and enterprise in it.

"If they gained it in the field of investment, they got it in the great majority of cases, because they made a thorough study of the conditions in the particular field they were putting their money into. They were able to form a shrewd opinion as to the developments of the future and the things that would help or hinder the success of such an investment.

"It is pretty hard to get something for nothing. Money commonly comes as the reward of superior service or superior intelligence or insight. People who can estimate human action and motives correctly are very apt to make money, because they see ahead and know in advance what people are going to do, and the kinds of things for which there is a public demand.

"The, are observant people, who estimate aright the popular tendencies and can size up people and commercial and economic conditions. The community is full of people who have lost money because they bought forms of property they did not know anything about."

NEW JAPANESE LOAN SOUGHT FOR WORK

Tokyo, (By mail to the United Press)—Dec. 22 — Japan's next foreign loan will be for approximately $50,000,000 for reconstruction of Tokyo and Yokohama and will be floated simultaneously in New York and London, the United Press is informed semi-officially.

Negotiations for the loan now are under way by Kengo Mori, financial commissioner for the Empire.

Vast public works still remain to be constructed before the capital and Yokohama can return to pre-earthquake conditions, an official spokesman said, and the proposed loan will be used to pay for a great amount of these improvements. Millions of dollars must be spent for reconditioning the Yokohama port and general harbor improvements.

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SPEAKING OF INVITATIONS

1905-Twenty Years Ago-1925

While Mrs. J. R. McCormick, wife of the dentist, was engaged in shopping at the store of Jobe Bros., Friday, she lost a valuable gold pin set with a diamond and valued at $125.

Mr. Patrick Cronin, the section foreman, went to Hamilton to spend Christmas with his son, who is employed as a telegraph operator in that city.

Mr. George Bloom arrived home Saturday to spend a week. He is located in Trenton, Mo., having just returned from Mexico.

Clark Allen, who has been selling life insurance here, leaves today for Atlanta, Ga., to spend the winter.

Fire at Hankow, China, destroyed 5,000 houses. Four hundred persons perished in the flames.

Efficient Housekeeping

by Laura A. Kirkman

ANSWERS TO INQUIRIES

TOMORROW'S MENU

Breakfast
Stewed Prunes
Cereal
Codfish Cakes
Pop-Overs Coffee

Luncheon
Spanish Omelet
Wholewheat Bread
Jelly Cookies Tea

Dinner
Corned Beef
Onion-Pepper Relish
Creamed Carrots
Lettuce Salad
Vanilla Cornstarch Pudding
Coffee

R. W.: "Please tell me how to clean a velvet dress."

Answer: To clean velvet, dust with a very soft brush in the direction of the nap, then sponge with gasoline, (not near heat or flame because of the danger of fire) and when the gasoline has evaporated stretch the right side of the velvet over the top of a large bowl filled two-thirds full of boiling water and brush the nap gently with the soft brush. Small pieces such as the belt of a dress, can be best cleaned by being passed over the face of a hot flat-iron which is covered with a piece of muslin wrung out of cold water. Some housewives declare that there is no better method than passing the velvet through the steam from a boiling teakettle which has a piece of muslin tied over the spout.

Mrs. E. F.: "I would appreciate a recipe for making Italian Raviola."

Answer:— Italian Raviola: Beat three eggs with one-third cup of cold water, then stir this mixture into one pound of flour. Toss this dough on a board and roll out into a large but not too thin sheet. Cut in squares measuring tow by three inches. Filling: Chop Italian pot cheese (called Recotla) and to one-fourth pound of this cheese add three unbeaten eggs; mix well, then season with salt and pepper to suit taste and add a little chopped parsley. Put one heaping teaspoon of this filling onto each square of dough, fold other side of square over, and press edges together with a fork.

Drop into boiling water and cook just as you would macaroni, till soft. When tender place them on a serving platter close together, cover them with a layer of grated Italian cheese, add a layer of the following sauce, another layer of cooked Raviola, another cheese layer, and top with the rest of the hot sauce.

Sauce: Italian lard comes in chunks like salt pork; chop one-half pound of this and then melt it; add one minced onion and two cloves of garlic cut fine, cooking till the onion is light brown. Remove onion and garlic and add two small cups of tomato paste, one cup of hot water, one tablespoon minced red sweep peppers and one can of pimentoes chopped. Cook slowly for 20 minutes and use as above directed.

Tomorrow —Last-Minute Christmas Cakes

Just Folks

BY EDGAR A. GUEST

THE INN-KEEPER MAKES EXCUSES

"Oh, if only I had known,"
Said the keeper of the inn.
"But no hint to me was shown,
And I didn't let them in."

"Yes, a star gleamed overhead,
But I couldn't read the skies,
And I'd given every bed
To the very rich and wise.

"And she was so poorly clad
And he hadn't much to say!
But no room for them I had,
So I ordered them away.

"She seemed tired and it was late
And they begged so hard, that I
Feeling sorry for her state
In the stable let them lie

"Had I turned some rich man out
Just to make a place for them,
'Twould have killed, beyond a doubt
All my trade at Bethlehem.

"Then there came the wise men three
To the stable, with the morn,
Who announced, they'd come to see
The great King who had been born.

"And they brought Him gifts of myrrh,
Costly frankincense and gold
And a great light shone on her
In the stable, bleak and cold.

"All my patrons now are dead
And forgotten, but today
All the world to peace is led
By the ones I sent away.

"It was my unlucky fate
To be born that Inn to own,
Against Christ I shut my gate;
Oh, if only I had known!"

NAVY HYDROGRAPHIC OFFICE NEEDS FLYER

Washington Dec. 22.—The Naval Hydrographic office is in need of a trained aviator to devise special sailing directions and pilot charts for avaitors, Captain F. B. Bassett, Naval Hydrographer, told Secretary of the Navy Wilbur in his annual report today.

"The shortage of officers mentioned in the report of 1924 continues," Bassett-declared. "The work of the office is continually increasing due to the invention of new instruments, new methods and to the increased activities of all foreign hydrographic offices and to the mercantile marines of all countries and the increasing demands of aerial navigation."

Bassett pointed out that the publication of pilot charts of the upper air for the use of aviators is being considered by the Department and that an officer with flying experience is needed to take charge of their preparation.

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Today's Talks

THINGS WE DIG FOR

The charm in Hudson's writings lies in the fact that he loves his subject and that he knows it.

You know that Hudson has seen, not read.

For hours and hours this naturalist would study the lives and habits of the inhabitants of the wild. And he would make the most minute note of every movement or habit, so that you come to feel that here was a man who knew birds and anmials, and who loved them because they became his friends.

In reading an article by a famous operator in wheat, which appeared in a daily newspaper, this man stated that the opportunities were far greater today than during his day when he first set out. But his statement was that you had to dig for what you got, that concentration and a mastery of your subject were essential. He told of one young man who was advanced to a position paying $50,000 a year because this chap had the courage to criticise methods in vogue.

There is an atmosphere of power about the man who knows—who has learned to know, because he dug for it.

Things that are told to you all too often leave your mind without having made an acquaintance visit. But when you have spent long hours reading and studying a subject, the ideas aroused in your mind become a part of you.

The boy who works his way through college may not lead his class but he will lead when he goes out in the world.

What a small percentage of people actually earns life, earns it in a way to understand it, so as to take all that it gives, the bitter with the sweet.

The things we dig for belong to us.

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FOX NEWS

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"HIS LAST RACE"
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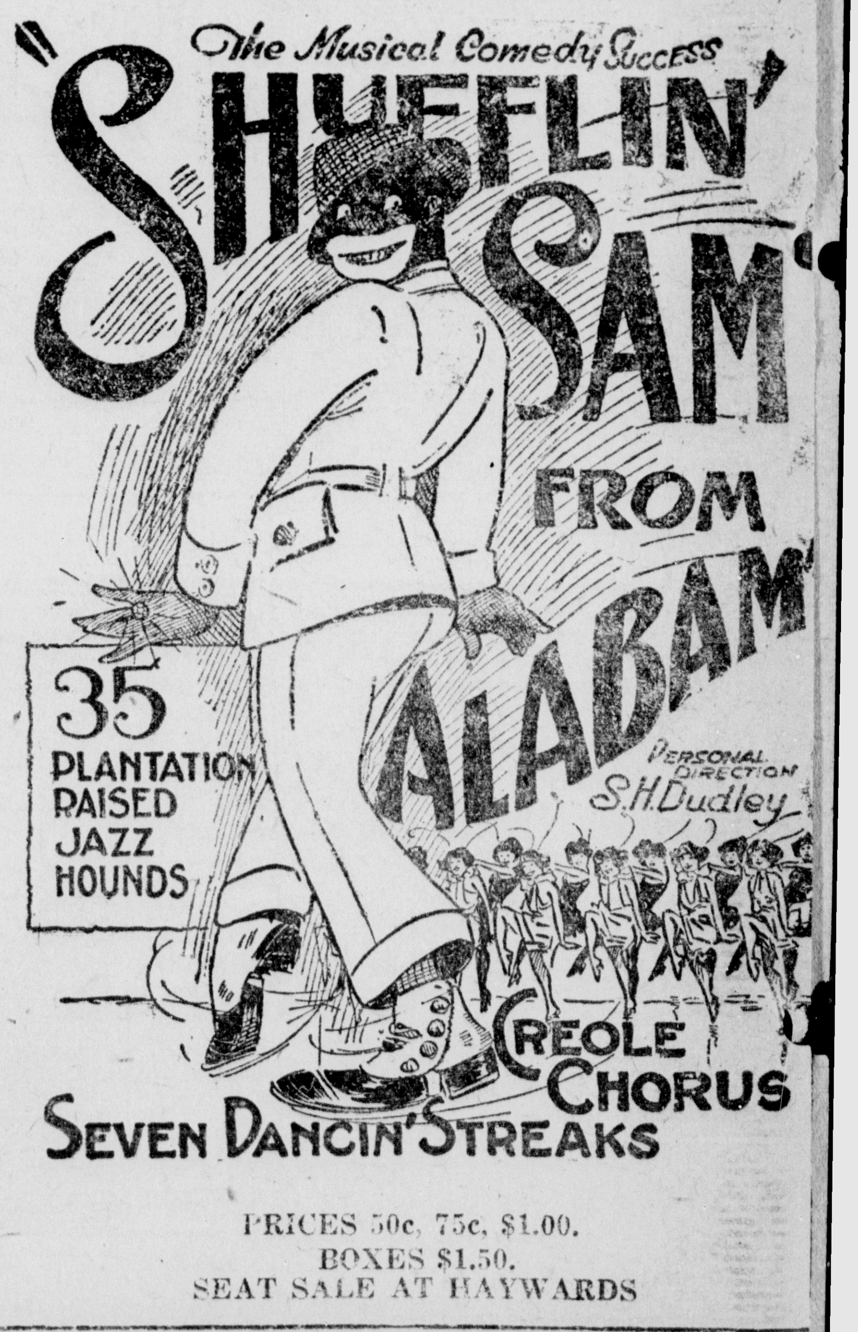
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23



PRICES 50c, 75c, $1.00.
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SEAT SALE AT HAYWARDS

BEAVER TAKES TWO FROM JAMESTOWN IN COUNTY LOOP GAME

Beavercreek High School boys' team won its first game in the County Basketball Association League by defeating Jamestown High 25 to 2 on the Ross Twp. floor Monday night. Beaver girls made the victory a double one and maintained their clean slate in the league by trimming Jamestown girls' team 31 to 7 in the preliminary.

Both games were fast and interesting despite the lop-sided scores. Miranda and Merriman were the main cogs in the Beaver offense in the boys' fracas while Tanner and Hawker played with equal brilliance for Beaver in the girls' contest.

Lineup and summary girls' game:

Beaver (31)		Jamestown (7)
Tanner	RF	Skyles
Hawker	LF	Reeves
Brill	C	Webb
Stedman	C	Carter
Coy	RG	Miller
Marshall	LG	Gowdy

Substitutions: Beaver—Moon for Tanner; Johnson for Hawker; Shoup for Brill; Bailey for Stedman; Ferguson for Coy; Gabler for Marshall. Jamestown—Sharp for Carter; Carter for Skyles. Field goals—Hawker 7, Tanner 4, Johnson 1, Reeves 2, Skyles 1. Foul goals—Tanner 3, Hawker 4, Skyles 1. Referee—Sheets, Antioch College.

Lineup and summary boys' game:

Beaver boys (25)		Jamestown boys (2)
Merriman	RF	Farquhar
Dalhamer	LF	Shane
Miranda	C	Bell
Rauch	RG	Moorman
Jacobs	LG	Marshall

Substitutions: Beaver— Coy for Merriman; Hawker for Dalhamer; Batdorf for Miranda. Jamestown — Bland for Farquhar; Grover for Shane; Jinks for Moorman; Roberts for Marshall. Field Goals—Merriman 3, Miranda 4 ,Rauch 2, Hawker 1. Foul goals—Merriman 3 ,Rauch 2, Bell 1, Bland 1. Referee Sheets, Antioch College.

MOVES SEEKING NEW TRIALS OVERRULED; THREE GET DIVORCES

Defense motion for a new trial in the case of Rufus Glass against The Hartford Fire Insurance Company, of Hartford, Conn., in Common Pleas Court, has been overruled by the court. The court ordered the plaintiff to recover $7,108.20 from the defendant, awarded by a jury October 8, 1925.

Motion for a new trial by the defendant, in the case of H. D. Smith, as receiver for the Strawn Press Co., against G. I. Graham, has been overruled by the court.

THREE GIVEN DIVORCES

Bertha Marie Switzer had been granted a divorce from Carl Switzer, in Common Pleas Court on the grounds of extreme cruelty.

A divorce has been granted to Bessie Jeffries from Alonzo Jeffries on the grounds of gross neglect of duty.

Ethel Hoagland has been given a divorce from Howard Hoagland on the grounds of gross neglect of duty. The plaintiff was awarded custody of the child, Joseph.

PARTIES SETTLE

In the case of Howard Gauvey against William H. Cary in Common Pleas Court, the defendant has agreed to allow the plaintiff judgment for $800.

TITLE QUIETED

In the case of Cora J. Manor against Esther Hayes in Common Pleas court the pliantiff's title and possession to certain property described in the petion is quieted and the defendant is enjoined from interfering with her claim, at orders from the court.

DEED ORDERED CORRECTED

Property deed has been found defective and ordered corrected in the case of A. B. Dunkel against Constance Ogan and others in Common Pleas Court.

PARTITION ASKED

Partition of property is asked in a suit filed in Common Pleas Court by Susan J. Hanna against Milton Hanna, Wilson Hanna, Arthur Hanna, Grace Snyder, Mabel Weber, Edna Hanna, Phoebe J. Spencer, Vernice Burgett, minor, and The Peoples Building and Savings Company. All parties to the action are entitled to a one ninth share in the property, the petition recites, and the Peoples Building and Savings Company claims to hold a mortgage.

Miller and Finney are attorneys for the plaintiff.

DIVORCE WANTED

Suit for divorce has been filed in Common Pleas Court by Perry Turner against Anna Turner on the charge of gross neglect of duty and extreme cruelty. They were married March 17, 1924 and have one child, Charles. The plaintiff asks custody of the child.

SUES ON NOTE

John T. Harbine, Jr., has brought suit in Common Pleas Court against Benjamin Curl for $25, alleged due on a promissory note. The note is secured by mortgage, according to the plaintiff, who seeks foreclosure in default of payment.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Francis Adams Comstock, Princeton, N. J., architect, and Darlington Bowman Showell, Yellow Springs. Dr. Charles Ryan Adams, Springfield, Ohio.

Notice

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Daily Market News

LIVE STOCK

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

U. S. YARDS, CHICAGO:

Hogs—(Soft or oily hogs or roasting pigs excluded)—Receipts 14000; market 10@20c higher; top $11.50; bulk $10.70@11.10; heavyweight (250 to 350), medium choice $10.50@10.90; medium weight (200 to 250), medium choice $10.80@11.20; light weight (160 to 200), common choice $10.65@11.50; light lights (130 to 160), common choice $10.85@11.75; packing sows (smooth and rough) $8.75@9.50; slaughter pigs (90 to 130, medium choice $11.50@12.25.

Slaughter Cattle and Calves — steers (1500 up), good choice $10.50@13.50; choice $11.25@13.50; good $9.75@11.50; medium $8.50@9.75; Steers (1100 down) ,choice $11@12.75; good $9.25@11.25; medium $8@9.25; common $6@8.50.

Light yearlings steers and heifers —good and choice (350 pounds down) $8.50@12;

Heifers—good and choice (850 lbs. up) $7.25@10.75; common and medium (all weights) $5.65@7.50.

Cows—good and choice $6@8.50; common and medium $4.15@6.50; canners and cutters $3.40@4.15; medium to choice $5.50@8.

Vealers—cull to choice $6@12.50.

Feeders and Stocker Cattle—steers (common to choice) $5.75@8.25.

Slaughter Sheep and Lambs:—

Lambs—light and handy weights (84 down), medium choice $14@16.25; cull and common (all weights) $10.50@14.

Ewes—common to choice $5.50@9; canners and cutters $2@5.50.

Feeding Lambs (range stock)—feeding lambs (medium choice) $15@16.50.

(Above on full wooled.)

CINCINNATI LIVE STOCK

Cattle, receipts 400; market steady steers, good to choice $9@10.50.

Calves, market steady; good to choice $11@12.50.

Hogs, receipts 2000; market active good to choice packers and butchers $11.85.

Sheep, receipts 275; market steady good to choice $6@8.

Lambs, market steady; good to choice $15.50@16.

PITTSBURGH LIVE STOCK

Cattle — Receipts light; market slow; choice $12.10@12.50; good $9.50@10; fair $7@8; veal calves $14@14.50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts light; market slow; prime wethers $9.75@10; good $8.75@9.50; fair mixed $6.50@7.50; yearling lambs $12.50@13.50.

Hogs—Receipts 12 doubles; market steady; prime heavy $11@11.25; mediums $11.60@11.65; heavy yorkers $11.60@11.65; light yorkers $12@12.25; pigs $[illegible]@12.25; roughs $8@9; stags $5@6.

DAYTON

Receipts 4 cars; market steady.

Heavies, 200 lbs. up	$ 11.00
Mediums, 130-200 lbs.	11.00
Pigs, 40 lbs. down	8.00@10.50
Stags	$4.00@7.00
Sows	8.00@9.75

CATTLE

Receipts 10 cars; market steady.

Best fat steers	8.50@ 9.00
Veal calves	6.00@11.00
Best butcher heifers	6.50@ 7.50
Best butcher heifers	6.00@ 8.00
Best fat cows	5.00@ 5.50
Medium cows	3.00@ 4.00
Bologna cows	2.00@ 2.50
Bulls	4.00@ 5.50

SHEEP

Spring Lambs	8.00@@13.00
Sheep	4.00@5.00

XENIA

(Faulkner and St. John)

Hogs—Heavies $10.20; mediums $10.50; pigs $10.50; sows $9; stags $5

Cattle — Butcher steers $5@7; butcher heifers $5@6; stock heifers $4@5; fat cows $4@4.50.

Sheep $4@5; lambs $8@12; vear calves $10.

GRAIN

Flour and Grain

(By the Durst Milling Co.)

(Prices being paid for grain at mill.)

Wheat, No. 1, New, $1.75.
Rye, No. 2, 90c per bu.
Corn, 90c per 100 lbs.
New oats, 37c per bushel.

XENIA

(Corrected Daily)
(By The DeWine Milling Co.)
(Buying Price)

No. 1, Timothy Hay, $17.
No. 1, Light Mixed Hay, baled, $16.
New Yellow Corn, 50c.
No. 2 Red Winters, $1.65.
Middlings, $2.00 cwt.
No. 2, New White Oats, 35c.
No. 2, Rye, 75c.
Flakey wheat bran, $2.00 cwt.

PRODUCE

CLEVELAND PRODUCE

POULTRY—
Heavy express fowls, 26@27c.
Leghorns, 20@21c.
Leghorn springers, 20@21c.
Cocks, 16c.
Heavy young ducks, 30@32c.
Geese, 21@23c.
Turkeys, 46@50c.
Old toms, 35@38c.

BUTTER—
Extra in tub lots, 49 1-2c.
Extra firsts, 45 1-2@46 1-2c.
Firsts, 45 1-2c.
Packing stocks, 32c.

EGGS—
Northern Ohio extras 58c.
Northern Ohio extra firsts 46c.
Ohio firsts 43c.
Pullet eggs, 32@33c.
Western firsts 42 1-2c.

Cheese—
Old York State old 29@30c.
Old York State, new, 29@30c.
Limburger 27@30c.
Swiss fancy, new, 52@55c.
Brick, 25@27c.
Imported, 52@53c.

LETTUCE—
Hothouse leaf $1.05@1.25 per 10 lb. basket.
Calif. $4@4.50.
Arizona, $4.75@5.25.

ONIONS—
Spanish $1.25@1.30 per crate.

POTATOES—
Ohio, $2.20 per bushel.
Idaho, $3 per box.
Colorados $5 per 100 lb. sack.

DAYTON PRODUCE

Eggs and Poultry

Egge, 48c. dozen.

Retail Prices

(Corrected by The Joe Frank Co.

Eggs, 48c. dozen.
Roasting chickens, 42c. pound.
Stewing chickens, 40c polnd.
1925 Fries, 40c pound.
Butter, 55c pound.
Boiling Chickens, 28c pound.
SpringDucks, 42c. per pound.
Live hens—28c pound.
Live Roosters—18c pound.
Live Geese, 28c. pound.
1925 Broilers alive, 28c pound.

Prices Being Paid at Plant for Live

Poultry and Eggs

Leghorns, 16c.
Roosters, 12c pound.
Eggs, 40c dozen.
Leghorn broilers, 16c pound.
Live ducks, 15c pound.

Butter

(By Miami Valley Co-operative Milk Producers' Association

Butter, 50c. pound, wholesale.

XENIA

Hens, 21c.
Leghorns, 13c.
Young Roosters, 22c.
Eggs 40c. dozen.
Geese 16c.
Ducks, 18c.

WHY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS CAN NOT SPELL DISCUSSED

Reason for the charge that high school students can't spell, for the complaint that grade teachers do not prepare high school students in grammar and language construction and other subjects were discussed at the second meeting of high school English teachers of the county in the office of H. C. Aultman, county superintendent, Monday afternoon.

The meeting, according to Mr. Aultman, was to obtain a more uniform effort on the part of each teacher, to discover standards of achievement to be expected of students and to outline a more definite course of study and method of procedure.

Other topics discussed by the educators were a "team work" plan that would eliminate "passing the buck" for the lack of English ability and how and what should determine what classics should be studied.

The next meeting will be held January 18. The meeting Monday was one of a series being held by the county superintendent looking to general harmonizing of all educational effort. The plan includes, Mr. Aultman says, meetings of superintendent, music teachers, English teachers, athletic coaches, one-room teachers and others not yet scheduled.

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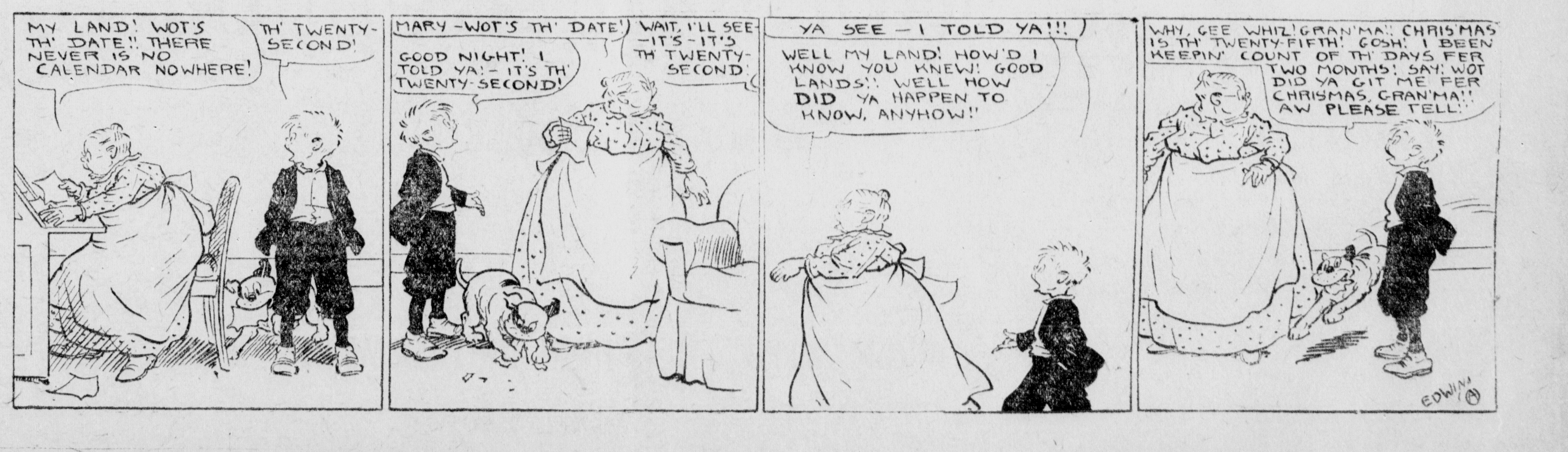
"CAP" STUBBS—Cap's An Authority On The Subject

By EDWINA



Home Wife vs. Office Wife

Should a girl who works in an office keep on working there after her marriage, in order to help her husband financially?

Young husbands and wives all over the country are facing this problem today. It is the theme of

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VIOLET DARE handles the problem ably and delightfully. Her name is already well known to readers. She is the author of The Half-Time Wife, A Wife on Leave, My Matrimonial Vacation, and many other married life serials that have run in this and other newspapers throughout the country.

THE BREAD AND BUTTER WIFE will run for eight weeks in six daily installments averaging eight hundred and fifty words. It is attractively illustrated by Marguerite Neale.

STARTING IN

The Evening Gazette

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26

The Morning Republican

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28

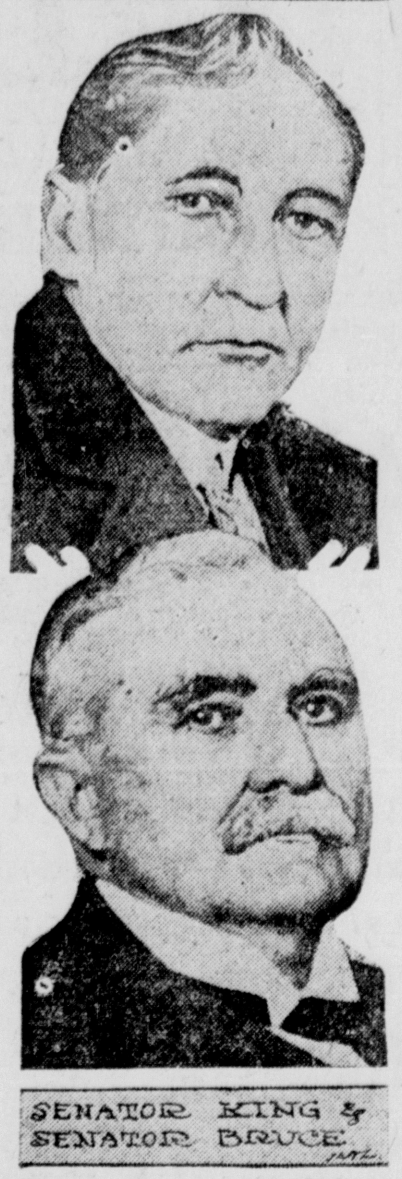
BEGIN WITH THE FIRST INSTALLMENT

CAMERA NEWS

Settling U. S. Claims Against Germany

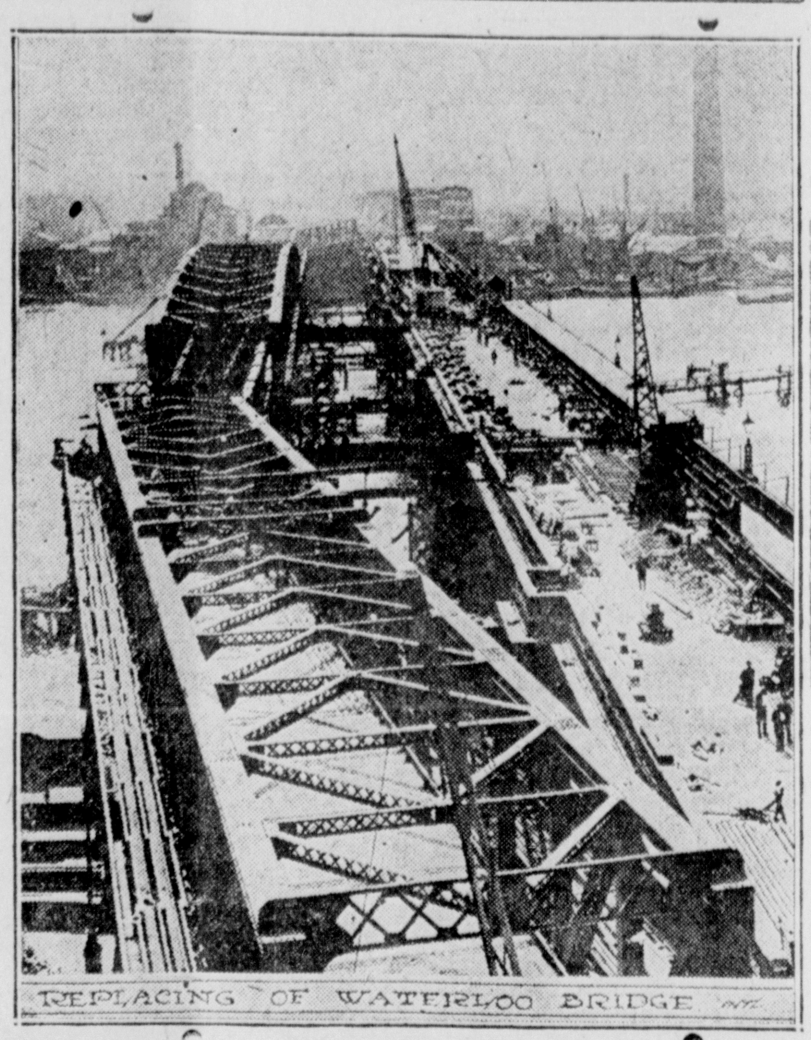
These two men are passing on the hundreds of claims made by Americans against German government for losses suffered prior to entrance of U. S. in war. Dr. Karl von Lewinski (left), Berlin's representative, was educated in U. S. American spokesman in the arguments before the Mixed Claims Commission is Robert Bonynge, New York lawyer. They are cooperating to hasten payment of the claims.

Volstead Foes



Senators King and Bruce are leading the fight with Senator Edge, in the Upper House, for the modification of the Volstead Act, demanding real beer and wines.

Old Waterloo Bridge Replaced

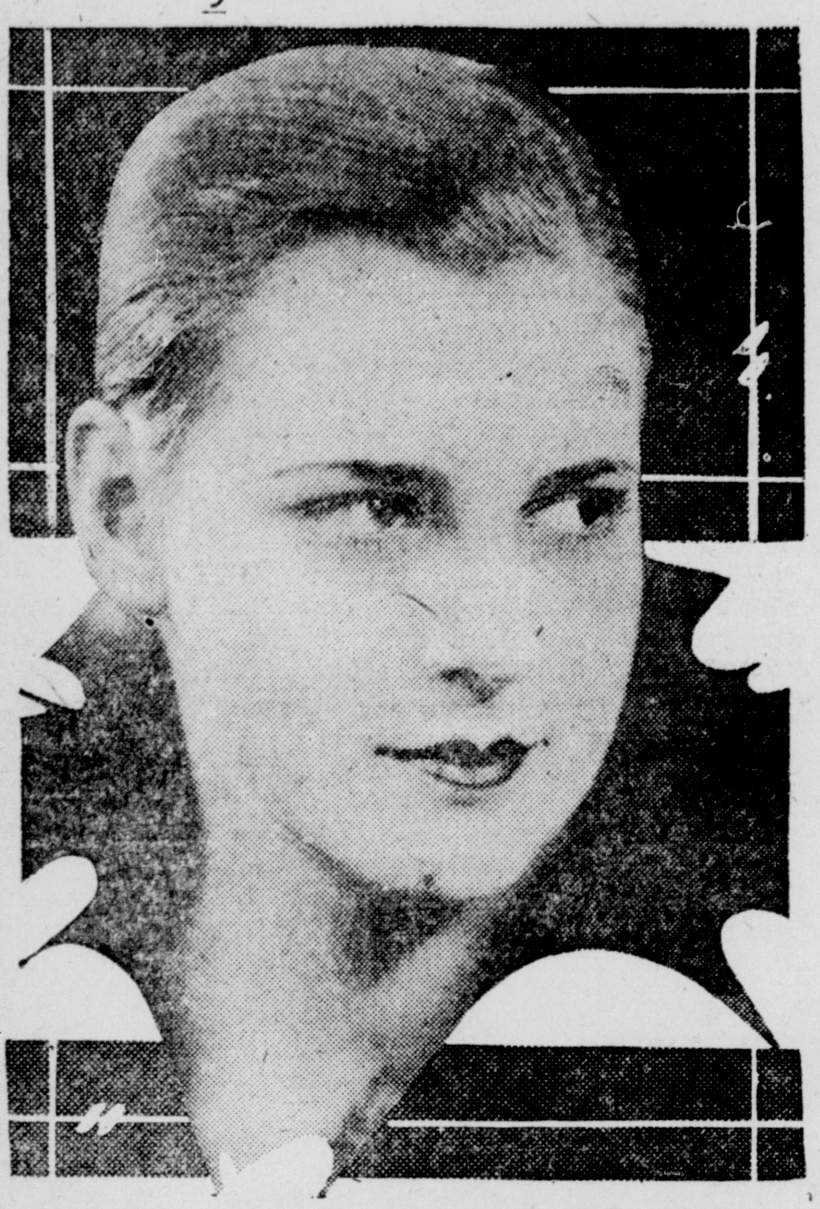


"The noblest bridge in the world," spanning the Thames at London, is being replaced, although its destruction was called a "catastrophe" by architects. The new bridge will have only five spans across the river and will permit six lines of vehicular traffic.

Army Given New Uniform

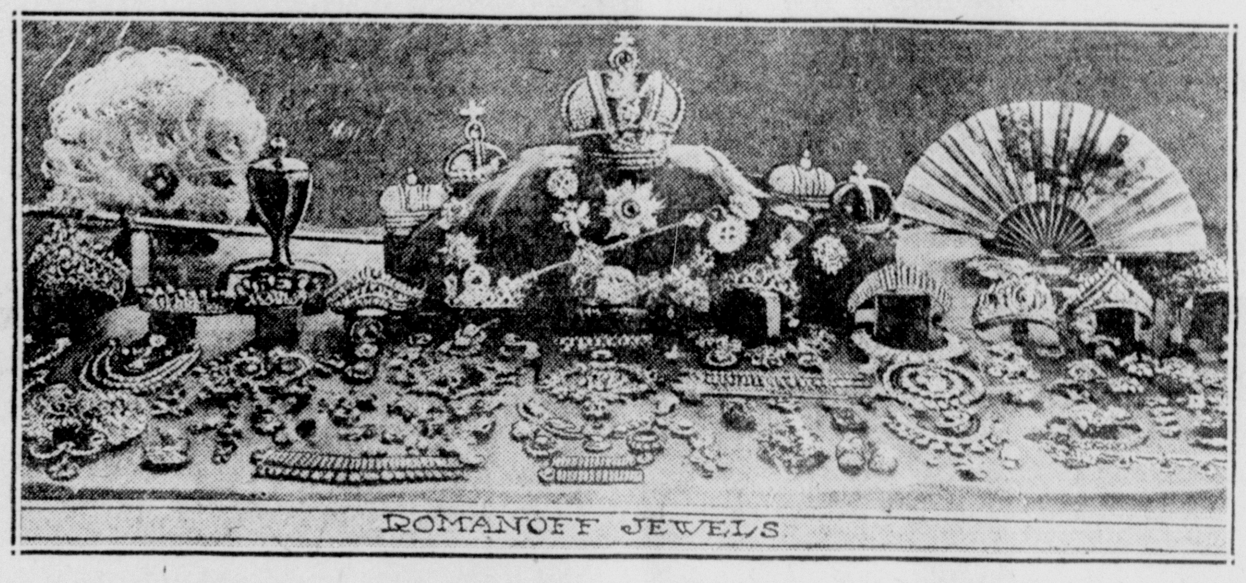
After a ten year campaign, army officers finally have succeeded in winning official approval of a new uniform for both officers and enlisted men. The "choke collar" will be discarded and a modern roll-collar substituted. At left is new uniform coat; at right, the old. The material—khaki, remains the same.

Beauty Boosts "Bathers' Bob"



Iris Gray of Wichita, Kan., chosen in a contest to be a movie star, is responsible for something new in haircuts—the "Bathers' Bob." She wants to liberate women from bathing caps.

$250,000,00 Romanoff Jewels to Be Sold



These jewels of the Romanoffs, each with a history as romantic as an Arabian Nights tale, will be sold, probably to Americans, to stabilize the rouble. In the centre is the great imperial crown of Catherine II, worth $52,000,000.

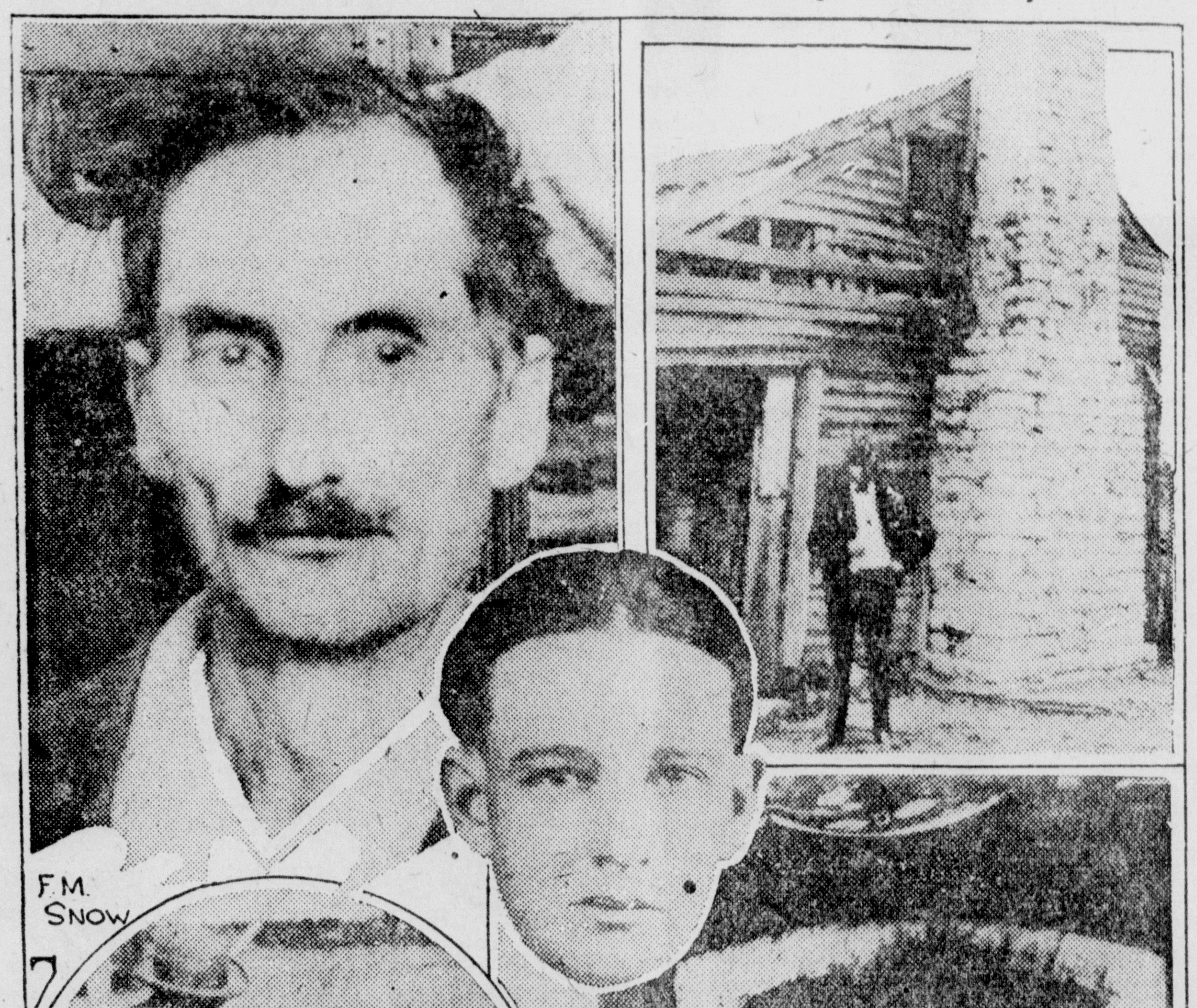
"Calmest Girl" Made College Fire Chief

Co-eds at Boston University have organized a fire department to protect the dormitories. Ruth Held was voted the "calmest girl," and installed as chief.

Beauty, Not Stories, Make Balzac Name Famed on French Screen

Newest idol of French screen, Jeanne de Balzac, is a descendant of the world famous author of that name. So far she has not appeared in any picturizations of his stories.

Cremates Wife, Mother-in-Law, Decapitates Step-Son



Central Press Photos

Additional horrible details of weird triple murder confessed by F. M. Snow, recluse, are being unearthed by Erath county, Tex., authorities. He cremated his wife and mother-in-law and decapitated his stepson, 19. The four had lived in a shack in the barren hills near Ft. Worth, Tex., for many years. The photos show Snow; his home; the fireplace in which he burned the two women, Bernie Connally, the third victim; and an officer digging for human ashes.

Just One Reason Why Louisiana Is Such a Popular Song Subject

Central Press Photo

Merle Searle is the prettiest girl in Louisiana State University, men students have just decided.

NAVY PLANS CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SUBS DESPITE LATE OPPOSITION

Washington, Dec. 22 — (United Press.)—Despite the movement in England for the abolishment of the submarine, the United States Navy is now palnning the construction of two additional fleet submarines designed for either fleet or independent operation, the annual report of Rear Admiral J. D. Beuret, chief of the bureau of construction and repair revealed today.

"The preliminary work on these designs was carried on concurrently with the preliminary work on the designs of a proposed light cruiser and it is estimated that they will be ready for issue in about two months," Beuret declared.

Of the total of 17 vessels listed as "under construction" last year, two light cruisers, five submarines, one fleet submarine, and three auxiliaries were constructed during the past fiscal year. There still remains under construction seven vessels consisting of one additional fleet submarine, two airplane carriers (converted from battle cruisers), one submarine, three fleet submarines and one auxiliary.

Beuret pointed out that the 10 light cruisers under construction last year have been completed and have completed satisfactorily assigned tests. Of the six S type submarines, similar to the S-51 which sunk off Block island on September 25, under construction last year, all have been delivered to the Navy. The fleet submarines V-1 and V-2 have been completed and are ready for service. The V-3 will be ready for service early next year, Beuret stated.

Beuret pointed out that the principal design work of the Bureau during 1925 was in river gunboats for use in Chinese waters. Plans are also being prepared for two additional scout cruisers.

WOMAN BARGAINS FOR REDUCED FINE

Los Angeles, Dec . 22—Woman's bargaining instincts evidenced themselves in "speeder's court" today when Mrs. Joseph Jones appeared before Justice Joseph Marchetti. She was fined $15.

She turned back to the bench after the sentence was imposed.

"Judge," the woman said. "Make it only $10 this time."

The court smiled and called the next case. But Mrs. Jones insisted.

"Next time I come in you can fine me that much more," she argued.

"Madam, you are in a court of justice, not at a bargain sale," was the rebuke administered by the court. Still hesitating at what she thought was a bad bargain ,Mrs. Jones was finally prevailed upon to pay the full $15.

FIVE YEAR TERM IS NOTHING TO HIM

Hammond, Ind., Dec. 22.—John Marca's version of "nothing" is a one to five year prison sentence plus a $200 fine, according to his statements in seeking naturalization papers.

"Were you ever arrested?" the examiner asked. "Not much," John replied.

"You were arrested once, weren't you?" "Maybe, I dunno."

"And weren't you taken to Crown Point and tried before Judge Smith?" "Yes, but they didn't do nothing to me."

"They didn't do anything to you?"

"No, they didn't do anything to me."

"You were given one to five years in jail and fined $200 and costs, weren't you?"

The judge's gavel came down with a bang:

"Application denied."

CHICAGO NEWS SOLD

Chicago, Dec. 22—The Chicago Daily News has been sold to a group of Chicago businessmen headed by Walter A. Strong, business manager of the newspaper, it was reported today in banking circles. The price was reported at $14,326,573.

LOOK!

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LUMBERTON

Wishing everybody a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Mr. Rex Hanberry and Mr. John Davis of Columbus spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lewis and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Haines of Wilmington spent Sunday with Mrs. Elizabeth Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. David Linkhart and daughter, Arthella spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Harris and son Tommy.

Mr. Jacob Oglesbee entertained to dinner Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Pond and son, Max of Bloomingburg and Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Oglesbee and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Oglesbee and daughter of Dayton, Mr. and Mrs. Harper Hartsook and Mr. and Mrs. James Jessup.

There will be a Cantata at the church here next Sunday night, December 27. Everybody welcome.

CHECK THE BABY

Cleveland, O., Dec. 22—A young woman and her mother entered a restaurant in Cleveland today and laid what appeared to be a bundle of blankets on the table.

"May I check your bundle for you?" asked a waitress who came to get their order.

"No, maam, that's my baby," the young woman replied.

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MANICURE SETS Wonderful Values $2.50 to $11.50	BRUSH AND COMB SETS $2.50 to $17.00 You Should See These
TRAVELING COMPANIONS	BILL FOLDS
STATIONERY Priced from 50c to $5.00	PERFUME SETS $2.00 to $8.00
SHAVING SETS	MILITARY BRUSH SET

And numerous other items in gift goods.

DONGES THE DRUGGIST

Corner Detroit and Second St.

CLOSING OUT SALE

AS WE HAVE DECIDED TO CLOSE OUT OUR STORE, we are offering a number of items at prices, that will move them. Here is your opportunity to buy Christmas Presents at Lowest Prices.

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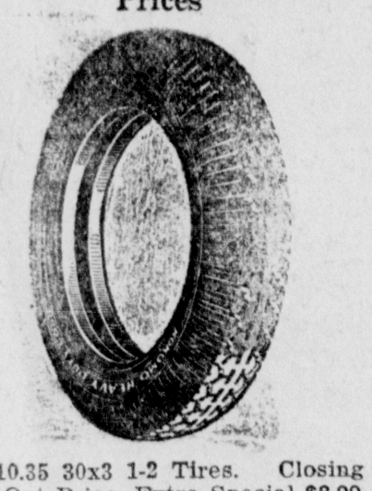

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Shaving Brushes	$1.25 to $3.00
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Razors	$1.00 to $6.00
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Thermos Bottles	$1.50 to $3.50
Bill Folds	$1.50 to $6.00
Lunch Kits	$2.00
Flash Lights	$1.00 to $3.50

HER

Fountain Pens	$2.50 to $8.75
Hand Bags, Leather	$9.00 to $16.50
Stationery	$1.00 to $4.00
Kodaks	$5.00 to $26.50
Toilet Sets, Perfume Powder and Toilet Water.	
Perfume Atomizers	$1.00 to $6.00
Pearl and Ivory Sets	$18.00 and $19.00
Marcel Irons	$1.98
Fancy Box Candy	$1.00 to $4.00
Perfumes	$1.00 to $6.75
Electric Irons	$3.50 to $5.00
Toilet Water	$1.00 to $4.00

HIM, Jr.

Erector Set	$2.00 to $2.75
Fountain Pens	$1.00 to $2.50
Pencils	$1.00 to $2.50
Brownie Gift Box	$5.00
Comb and Brush Set	$3.00

HER, Jr.

Brownie Gift Box	$5.00
Fountain Pens	$1.00 to $2.50
Stationery	50c to $1.00
Perfume	50c to $1.50
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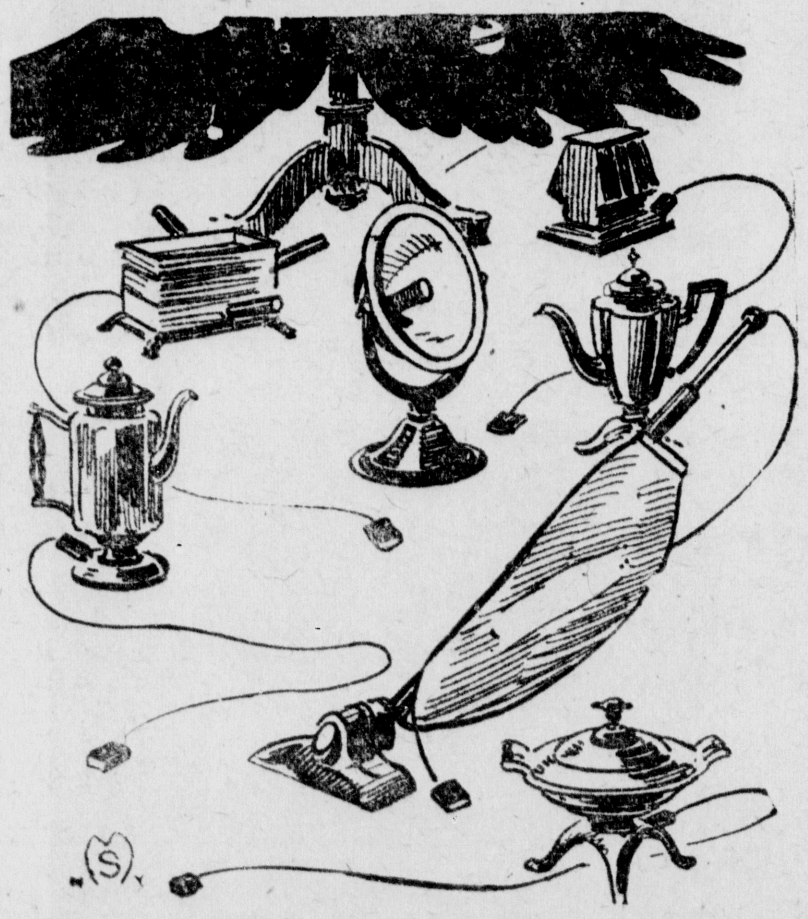

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Percolator	Radio Tubes
Boudoir Lamp	Electric Irons
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ATTEMPT TO IMPROVE FILMS CAUSED HIS RUIN SAYS CHARLES RAY, NOW BANKRUPT

...wood, Dec. 22 — (United ...s)—Charles Ray, bankrupt film ... blames "art" for his financial ...

...y desire to contribute samething ...ng to the motion picture profes... broke me," Ray declared today in ...terview.

... tried to produce my own pic..., and failed. It was poor busi... management. I attended to the ...g, but my managers who handled ...uction and distribution, argued ... petty things and we headed ...ght to bankruptcy."

...y's creditors have filed more than ...zen suits against him in Los ...les courts. Recently he filed an ...untary bankruptcy petition list... liabilities of approximately a mil... dollars, with assets of less than ...000.

...y's financial "bust" is another chapter in the story of meteoric uncertain successes in the film ...ess.

...e star, not many years ago, was ...lly wallowing in wealth. He had ...e time more than a million dol... in actual cash to his credit in the banks. He owned a huge film plant and had extensive real estate holdings.

His wife had expensive jewelry, they had a palatial home, a fleet of automobiles, and maintained a large staff of liveried servants.

Ray's only assets today are his histrionic talents. His liabilities are staggering. He lives with his wife in a rented house, drab in its comparison to the mansion they once occupied.

Withal, Ray is optimistic, and has returned to the business of picture-making under the banner of one of the biggest producing companies.

"Life is just a series of experiences," he philosophized. "I went out and learned bitterly from experience. But I still think more of my career than money.

"I was not content to make good, light farces that would not last. That is why I sank on the financial scale.

"But I did it, and still I am not unhappy. To achieve the things I wanted brought me happiness despite the fact it brought me financial ruin, too. To merit has all been marvelously successful, as I didn't go into the business to make money alone.

"Now I know I will be able to do things on the silent stage that $ would not have been able to do had I not tried the artistic."

IRONTON PAPERS IN MERGER WHEN COSTS OF OPERATION RISE

Ironton, Dec. 22—Growing costs of newspaper publication and the advantages to be gained from a single publication by merchants are given as reasons for the merger of the Daily and Sunday Register and the Morning Irontonian here.

The consolidation, which was agreed upon on a stock exchange basis, becomes effective January 1. After that date it is the plan of the combined papers to issue but one paper from a single plant. The paper will be an afternoon edition and the Sunday morning paper will be continued. Name of the unified paper has not been announced.

The Register was the property of the C. H. Moore estate while The Times Publishing Co., Portsmouth, owned the Irontonian. Ironton, which claims 16,000 population, has had two newspapers for many years.

JOURNALISM COURSE WILL BE LAUNCHED

Cedarville College has announced the inauguration of a course in journalism, the first of the year. A number of students have enrolled in the new course.

Details of the course have not been announced by President W. R. McChesney.

MARINE CORPS HURT IN APPROPRIATIONS

Washington, Dec. 22.—Repair, modeling and upkeep of temporary buildings housing the Marine Corps in some posts to save the cost of appropriations for permanent structures is wasteful of both time and money, Major General John A. Lejeune, Commandant of the Marine Corps, told the Secretary of the Navy Wilbur in his annual report today, advocating new structures.

"Conditions are not improving in regard to the building situation," Lejeune said. "Quarters for officers and men consist of remodelled temporary, time buildings, now about eight years old. Their condition is such that the work of repair and upkeep is wasteful of both time and money and the shelter afforded is neither adequate nor suitable."

Lejeune declared that the reduced appropriation for the Marines for the fiscal year 1926, which resulted in the disbanding of the Sixth Regiment and considerable reduction in personnel of other regiments has been keenly felt throughout the corps.

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A real appropriate gift at an unusually low price. In fine new mixed patterns in the best colors, $3.69.

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Every woman loves to receive silk underthings for Christmas. Here you will find pretty silk vests, bloomers and step-ins packed in special Christmas boxes at 95c and up.

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Fancy Tea Aprons made of fine quality Voile. Ties are made of bright colored ribbons. Edges are ruffled. In Christmas boxes at 50c.

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All size and style compacts for powder, rouge and combination powder, and rouge sets, at 10c to $1.00.

Bed Spreads
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Bed Spreads are fine for those who care to give more practical gifts. Stevens new Krinkle Crepe and Reversible bed spreads at $4.25 to $5.75.

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PREMIER MUSSOLINI TELLS PLANS FOR ITALIAN EMPIRE TO REPORTER

By THOMAS B. MORGAN

Rome, Dec. 22—Premier Benito Mussolini, in an exclusive interview with the Unted Press today told of his operation for an "Italian Empire." But he was careful to explain that "when one speaks of an 'Imperial' Italy ,no definite territory conquest is alluded to but rather an attitude of mind, the rule of virile conduct, combative if needs be, which Italy must observe in great international problems.

The interview, the most comprehensive Mussolini has ever granted occurred in the Chigi Palace and covered a wide range of topics—denial of intent to interfere in foreign nations affairs, the aims of fascisti and the rights of Italy "to a wider expansion."

Ease, grace and composure marked the manner of the fascist leader as he discussed his great range of themes.

"I had asked him:

"What is your opinion regarding an Italian empire, alluded to several times in your speeches? What would be the political, geographical, military and economic aspects of the empire?"

Immediately he explained.

"The word Empire," he said, "has more than one meaning in the Italian language. It may mean a form of government and more especially that marvelous state organization which in the early centuries of the Christian era dominated the world from Rome. But empire also means force, might, dominion, command. Empire, as the will to life and to power, is at the base of all living organisms.

"Every nation is forced by its own nature as its productive powers grow stronger, to widen the limits of his own pacific penetration in the world and to expand its power, its intellectual and moral prestige beyond its frontiers.

"Does not the history of the United States afford us a typical example of this movement of pacific expansion? Has not an American imperialism been spoken of in the same way that reference is made to Italian imperialism. There is no need for me to remind you, an American of the ideas and works of Roosevelt, who only a few months before his death, wrote, 'Every people must, above all, make use of its particular energies and must guard its own honor and its own vital interest?'

"This is what our country has done in conquering for itself in the world, a position adequate to its marvelous demographc, industrial and commercal development.

"When one speaks of an 'Imperial' Italy, no definite territorial conquest is alluded to but rather an attitude of mind, the rule of virile conduct, combative if needs be, which Italy must observe in great international problems.

"Italy's importance among the nations of the world, her great sacrifices during the world war and her exuberant people, all give her the right to widen its expansion.

"He who sees an aggressive aim in such a policy is a fool.

"Hstory is not without examples of peaceful agreements and partitionings through which powers arrived at a firmer and more just equilibrium of their forces and safeguard the peace and tranquility of their people.

"Italy will not lack the means when the occasion arises, of obtaining through compromises and agreements, the portion due her.

"Other nations would assume a grave responsibility in raising any obstinate resistance to Italy's moderate aspirations which are only directed to guaranteeing her future as a great power."

Of the Italian debt settlement in Washington, Mussolini declared his confidence that "it will stimulate Italy's young energies rather than weaken her."

Of America he had words of praise.

"America" he said, "gives every day an example of this ardent, untamed youthful urge to work, to produce wealth and to spread it far and wide for the fecundity of the world."

However, he foresaw that America would not be wholly materialistic but would contribute to the world's spiritual activity and to giving the world an art, a poetry and other culture.

Asked whether he proposed an abandonment of the representative and parliamentary principle, Mussolini replied that fascism does not "propose complete abandonment, but rather a thorough transformation of the parliamentary system, which without any doubt is in a state of obvious decadence in all countries which had followed it."

In this connection, he pointed out that economic and social conditions have altered and that the old parliamentarism no longer is adopted to the new conditions. He foresaw a new era in relations between capital and labor as a result of Italy's compulsory arbitration laws and its insistence that fascisti organizations handle all labor-capital disputes.

Touching on the submarine question, Mussolini indicated his opposition to abandonment of this weapon, which he suggested, was available to smaller nations who were not in a position to compete with great nations in building of major craft.

Referrng to the conclusion of the Locarno pacts, he observed that it was in his opinion, "highly desirable that the Locarno pacts should be supplemented by other agreements of friendship and arbitration between the various European powers."

Before launching into the heart of his interview he referred to the misconception of his plan to give Italian emigrants in foreign countries, access to recreational and cultural activities. He regretted that in the United States any political significance should be attached to such a step. Italian emigrants to both North and South America, he said demanded naturally much of the government's attention because they constituted the largest Italian migration colonies. When shown a clipping of an American newspaper stating his plans had caused wonder in Washington, he observed:

"What we want to do is simply to take care of the Italian workman in his spare time. We want to safeguard him from the associations which cause him to indulge in excessive wine drinking. In North and South America, we want our emigrants to reflect as much glory on Italy as possible. We don't want them to congregate in groups where they will get into trouble, commit crimes and become a burden rather than a help to the country which gives them hospitality. We want them kept away from disturbing elements, from joining radical and subversive organizations and from becoming socialists and anarchsts. There is not the slightest political significance in our suggestion to diplomatic and consular officers.

"Fascism more than anything else believes in rigid adherence to no meddling in another nation's domestic affairs."

MONDAY WAS BIGGEST MAIL DAY IN HISTORY OF POSTOFFICE HERE

Monday was the biggest day, in point of mail handled, the Xenia Post Office department has experienced in history, according to Postmaster C. S. Frazer.

Mail matter coming in and going out was almost one-third heavier than any one day in history, but may be accounted for by the fact the Monday preceding Christmas is always a heavy day. "People evidently sat down Sunday and wrote hundreds of postcards to be mailed Monday," he said.

Postmaster Frazer advises patrons no city or rural deliveries will be made Christmas Day. However, the lobby at the post office will remain open as usual to allow citizens access to their mail boxes.

Mails will be dispatched as usual and the morning and evening collections will be made as formerly, he said. Nothing will be delivered special delivery matter and marked "perishable."

"It is the intention of the department to have employes Christmas Day as a holiday as is possible for the first time postmaster declared.

RAH! RAH! FIREMEN

Toledo, O., Dec. 22.—Flames sho to the ai. and the reflection coul seen against the sky. The fire close. Someone turned in an al

The fire department pulled u St. James University where the dent body was holding a celebra of the opening of basketball seas . Several hundred students gath around a huge bonfire yelled: " men, Rah! Firemen, Rah! Rah! Firemen!"

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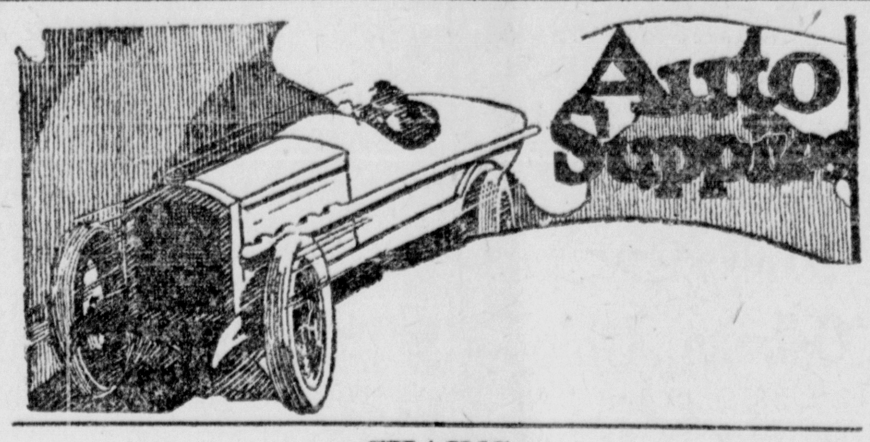

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In all color combinations. Solids and Plaids. In all wool and part wool $2.98 UP.

OVERALLS AND JACKETS
Overalls at a new low price. 220 weight white-backed denim, full cut, triple-stitched $1.39

XMAS DRESS SOX
A variety of colors and patterns in Silk, Wool and Heather, In Xmas Boxes 59c
2 Pairs for $1.00

GIFT TIES
Beautiful color combinations in Xmas Ties. Packed in Christmas Boxes 59c
2 For $1.00

DRESS SHIRTS
We have a real varied assortment in both Neckband and Collar Attached Styles.
98c To $1.98

UNION SUITS
Guaranteed full 16 lb. garment. Silk piped edges. Knit wristlets and ankles. Try and beat it $1.39

FELT HATS
New styles, large and small brims. Silk lined, in brown, grey, tan and black $2.98

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Work Shoes
$2.98

Wool Scarfs
In All Colors
Scotch Plaid and Angora.
The Ideal Gift at 98c

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All Wool Overplaid. The Overcoat you have wanted. At your own price $18.89

RUBBER FOOTWEAR
KNEE BOOTS—HIP BOOTS
One, Four and Six Buckle Arctics in cloth or rubber.

CANVAS
Gloves
8c Pair

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All Style Mocha, Kid, Suede. In black, grey and brown $1.49 UP.

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Personal Notices 1

WE WISH—to thank all friends and relatives who so kindly assisted us in the recent bereavement of my daughter and our mother, the late Duella Watts. We thank Rev O. O. Jones, the choir for their kind and impressive services, also Messrs Patterson and Shields for their efficient services.
Mrs. R. D. Windsor,
Marie Watts Burley,
James E. Watts.

TAMPA DAILY TIMES, TAMPA, FLA. thousands read the classified pages of Florida's Great Home Daily, rates 2 cents a word, Minimum 25 cents cash with order. Write for complete rate card.

TO REACH PROSPEROUS — farmers advertise in the Sanford (Florida) Herald circulating among substantial farmers with money to spend. Ten cents per six word line, Sample copy on request.

FLORIDA — to reach the prosperous orange and fern growers of Volusia County advertise in the Deland Daily News. Classified rate 1c per word minimum 25c cash or stamps with order.

CHATTEL LOANS—notes bought. Second mortgages. John Harbine, Allen Building. Phone 874-R.

Lost and Found 2

LADIES—long black pocket-book Saturday afternoon on the Federal or Jamestown Pike 4000-R-21.

Professional 3

INSURANCE—in all its branches. See Ray Cox, Xenia, Phone 182.

Male Help Wanted 5

PERSONAL FACTORY REPRESENTATIVE—in Xenia. Will give right man, best proposition ever offered. Syncro Motors Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

AMBITIOUS BOY—at least 18 years. Grammar school education, who wishes to learn a good trade. Must live at home. Apply Foreman Gazette. tf.

LEARN BARBERING—highest paid profession in which men can engage. Write MOLER BARBER COLLEGE, 206 E. 4th, Cincinnati.

Female Help Wanted

A MAID—to help with housework and care for child. Phone 1082.

LEARN BEAUTY CULTURE—Demand for Moler trained women more than supply. Write MOLER COLLEGE, 206 E. 4th, Cincinnati.

Male or Female Help 8

NIGHT COOK — wanted. Inquire Interurban Restaurant.

Work Wanted 9

PICTURE FRAMING—let us frame your pictures for Christmas. Graham's Paint Store. Whiteman St.

LOOK ! !—bring in your overcoat. Have it repaired, mended, cleaned, pressed, steamed, dyed. 30 W. Main St. Upstairs.

ALL KINDS OF HAULING—Long or short distance. Prompt and satisfactory service at all times. Jesse Chambliss, Phone 340 R.

HEMSTITCHING—5c per yard cotton thread furnished. Call Mrs. George King, 1242-W. Orders filled promptly.

HEMSTITCHING — done at Regan's Embroidery Shop. First floor on East Second St.

FOR FOOT SPECIALIST — Call 472-W 718 or 1179-W. Margaret Watkin Hardoen.

Wanted to Buy 10

FURS—highest prices paid for raw furs. Rear of Ervin Feed Store every day in week. F. S. Ellison.

WANTED—new yellow ear corn. Call Vine Milling Co. Phone 15.

Autos for Sale 12

FORD COUPE—good condition. Price reasonable. Inquire 109 E. Church St.

USED CAR BARGAINS—Touring car —with winter top and balloon tires A Bargain. The Greene County Auto Sales Co. West Main St.

XMAS BARGAINS—one 1925 coupe, 1924 coupe, 1921 sedan, 1923 roadster, 1921 roadster, also some cheap tourings. R. A. Murdock, Cedarville, O.

CHRISTMAS BARGAINS—

1923 Ford Roadster, starter.	$75.00
1923 Ford Coupe	$200.00
1924 Star Touring	$325.00
1923 Star Sedan	$350.00

All cars in good shape and priced to sell. Johnston Motor Sales, 109 W Main St.

FORD SEDAN—1925, like new. Price $425. John Harbine Jr. Allen Building.

Auto Parts—Repairing 14

AUTO PART—for all model cars. F. W. Hughes, West Market and Dayton Hill. Phone 153-W.

"Not Possible To Classify"

By Mack Sauer

"What is news?" asks a contributor. Well, fifty years ago an editor said "If a dog bites a man , that is not news. But if a man bites a dog, that IS news.

Neal O'Hara of the New York World has further dope. He says: "If somebody robs a gasoline filling station, that is not news. And if a gasoline filling station robs somebody, that isn't news either."

"If John D. Rockefeller gives $10,000,000 to a hospital. that is not news. But if he gives a dime to a traffic cop, that is news," O'Hara states.

"If prohibition is a success that is news to everybody," according to O'Hara. Isn't Neal naughty!

If Emmett Hardy says he is parting his hair in the middle now, that is not news. It is a lie.

WONDER OF WONDERS

If you can get Central
The first time you try,
Even that is not news,
It's a miracle, Si.

"If Miss America appears in a half-piece bathing suit, that is not news. But it would make a swell picture for the rotogravure section," says the witty columnist on the New York World.

O'Hara says, too: "If President Coolidge has nothing to say, that is not news. But the Washington correspondents will make a column and a half out of it."

REAL NEWS

If some old rock candy
Some reader would bring
Now that would be news
Of which I would sing.

We all make mistakes. C. S. Frazer is Postmaster and he does not want you to make the mistake of mailing your Christmas packages later. Do it NOW! If you want news, read the Gazette every evening. It contains more news than any other local paper.

Auto Parts—Repairing 14

GEORGE HOLSTEIN—Auto wreckers, parts for all cars. S. Collier St. Phone 337.

Miscellaneous for Sale 16

RADIOS—For sale 6 tube neutodyne factory built, never used cabinet and everything, $35.00. Will demonstrate, guarantee it. Ed. Lampert, Phone 388.

CANARY BIRDS—Singers and females. Priced for quick sale. Mrs. Sem Ireland. Phone 4094 F-11.

SPECIAL PRICES — on pot plants, wreaths, cut flowers and trees at City Meat Market, J. Schardt & Sons.

INTERNATIONAL BALER—bales 14x 16 inches. John Harbine, Allen Building, Xenia, Ohio.

2 MEN'S OVERCOATS—In good condition. Priced to sell immediately. Phone 1005-J.

SEWING MACHINE—has never been used. Phone 548-R.

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS— Boys' wagons, sleds, roller skates, ice skates, flash lights, washing machines, pocket knives, skooters, boys' tool kits, etc. Huston-Bickett Hdwe Co.

ELECTRIC—Sweepers. Hoovers and other makes. In good condition. 136 E. Main St.

LADIES' TAILORED—Gray suit, large size Cost $39.00. Will sell for less than half. Worn only once. 211 W. Main St.

MOVING PICTURE — machine. Will make fine Christmas present. Priced to sell immediately. Philip Aultman, 236 N. Detroit St.

PUPPIES—Call 4066-F-13.

SOOT DESTROYER—25c a box. A small article with big results. Cleans your stove and pipes without taking them down. THE BOCKLET & King Co., 415 W. Main St.

DAISY AIR GUNS—lowest prices in city. O. W. Everhart, 118 E. Main St.

BEDS—tables, all kinds of used furniture, fire proof safe, stoves, Saturday afternoons only. John Harbine, Allen Building.

FRUIT CAKE—just the thing for that Xmas dinner. At Home Bakery.

GET IT AT DONGES

Poultry—Pets—Livestock 17

POULTRY—wanted, all sizes. Don't sell until you call phone 164 Cedarville. Reverse phone charges. Wm. Marshall.

FRESH COW—with fourth calf. Phone 4011-R-3.

FATENED GEESE—dressed for Christmas. Order early. Phone 4086-F-3.

TEN HAMPSHIRE—Shoats. Also fresh cow, calf two weeks old. Phone 38, Jamestown, Ohio.

COW—a good cow with fourth calf by side. W. N. Ankeney. Phone 4005-R-3.

YOUNG GEESE—Dressed or on foot. Mrs. John Atkinson, Phone 4085 F-2.

HARSH MOUNTAIN—canary birds for sale by E. McCreery, 218 High St., Spring Hill, Xenia, Ohio.

Rooms For Rent 19

5 ROOM HOUSE—with bath, electricity. With or without garage. Corner Columbus and Third. Call Martin H. Schmidt Phone 8891-W.

FOR RENT—furnished rooms, modern conveniences, two blocks from Court House. 26 East Third Street.

Houses For Rent 20

5 ROOM HOUSE—With 2 car garage or stable, large grden pays the rent; also 7 room house, inside conveniences, $18. M. J. Bebb, 32 E. [illegible] St.

Houses For Rent 20

MODERN APARTMENT—at 48½ W. Main St. Phone 186-W or call 16 E. Church St.

5 ROOM BUNGALOW—strictly modern, newly papered, $17.00 a month. Xenia Shoe Manufacturing Co.

6 ROOM APARTMENT—with bath, close in, hot and cold water, electricity. Call 111.

Miscellanecus For Rent 21

FOR RENT—two rooms, good office suite; second floor. Call Gazette Office.

Farms For Sale 26

ANY FARMER—owning 40 or more acres can borrow money from my company AT FIVE PER CENT INTEREST. Write to W. L. Clemans Loan Agt. Cedarville, Ohio.

TOM LONG—real estate man I will sell your farm and city properties or will loan you money. See me. No. 9 West Main Street.

Auction Sales 28

HAY AND STRAW—in carload lots, bought and sold. Speedy custom baling guaranteed. C. C. Turner, phone 4067-F-11.

J. H. WRIGHT—Auctioneer. Call at the American Restaurant, W. Main St. Phone 1016.

AUCTION SALE

On Saturday, December 26th, 1925, at three o'clock p. m. I will offer for sale at public auction at my farm located at the junction of the Union Road and Wilmington Pike, south of Xenia, Ohio, the following: two cows; one mule; one two horse wagon; one breaking plow; work harness; wagon wheels. Terms cash. John Harbine, Jr., Allen Building, Xenia, Ohio.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

WE, the undersigned, Jerome Swigart and Lester Swigart, doing business as SWIGART BROTHERS GARAGE, will offer for sale to the highest bidder at public auction on the 31st. day of December, 1925, at 2 o'clock p. m., at Swigart Brothers Garage, 20-24 E. Second Street, Xenia, Ohio, the following:
Three (3) used Ford touring cars.
One (1) used Ford coupe.
One(1) used Chevrolet coupe.
to satisfy claims for labor and storage. Said machines all being unclaimed.
Terms of sale, CASH.
O. JEROME SWIGART
LESTER E. SWIGART,
of Swigart Brothers Garage.
12—22, 29.

EIGHT MILLIONS TO ABOLISH CROSSINGS

Columbus, Dec. 22—The state's share in the elimination of grade crossings will be $8,500,000, H. S. Perry, assistant chief maintenance engineer of the highway department, told the legislative highway committee.

Perry advocated a revision of the law so that the state would pay one half and the railroads the other half instead of requiring political subdivisions to pay a quarter and the state a quarter as under the present law.

Because it will take $150,000,000 to complete the state's highway system with each improved road at least 18 feet wide. Perry recommeinded that the auto license fee be reduced to a minimum and the gasoline tax increased.

The annual maintenance of such a system would be $20,000,000 Perry said.

Maintenance for 1927 will cost $14,000,000 while the present income of the highway department from gasoline taxes and tag fees is only $11,000,000 at the most, Perry declared.

Christmas Gift Suggestions

GIFTS FOR HER A

LADY GRAY TOILETAIRES — Face powder, talc, creams, etc. Gold compacts 75c. Silver compacts $1.75. Eleanor Dimmitt Beauty Shop

LIKLY—LUGGAGE—Best made O. W. Everhart, 118 E. Main St. Phone 625.

XMAS TAGS—Geyer's Book Shop.

LADIE'S LEATHER—hand bags Priced $3.00 and $5.00. Get one for Xmas. D. D. Jones, Druggist, East Main St.

VARIETY—quality and price means the Famous Cheap Store.

CANDLES—Geyer's Book Shop.

ROSES — exquisitely perfumed, narcissus—the daintest sweetest gift you can give her. Jo. Schardt. Florist Bellbrook Ave.

MAYTAG WASHERS—make excellent Xmas gifts. She'll be proud to have one in her home Xmas. Maytag Sales Co., E. 2nd Street.

XMAS SEALS—Geyer's Book Shop.

A TINTED—hand painted electric table lamp for her. Eichman & Miller.

OLD LADIES—warm lined shoes at Sanz's Shoe Store. 32 East Main St.

XMAS BOXES—Geyer's Book Shop.

A SINGER—portable sewing machine would make a fine Christmas gift for mother. 26 E. Market.

SUTTONS,—Removal sale—Dec. 12th. Make this a musical Christmas.

EXQUISITE POWDERS—and rouges for milady; fineness in texture, delicately scented. Sayre & Hemphill.

AN INSURANCE POLICY—accident or life, makes a worthwhile gift. Ray Cox, Insurance Agency.

TOYS—Geyer's Book Shop.

WELL-SHOD FEET—are a personal asset. Your appearance can be marred or made by smart footwear. S. and S. Shoe Store.

A HOME—for her. T. C. Long, 9 W. Main.

BOOKS—Geyer's Book Shop.

A BEAUTIFUL—white gold wrist watch makes an ideal Christmas present for her. L. A. Wagner.

CLOTHING—blankets, comforts, and jewelry on weekly payments. Xenia Mercantile Co. Gazette Bldg., 2nd. floor.

GIVE HER—a Coffield Electric Washer, Sellers Kitchen Cabinet, or Quick Meal Gas Range. Adairs.

STATIONERY—Geyer's Book Shop.

FRAGRANT BLOSSOMS—make lovely gifts. Order potted plants or cut flowers early. Engle Floral Co. Phone M. 388.

GIFTS FOR HIM B

SHEEP LINED—coats, 15 only to sell for $9.49. Famous Cheap Sotre.

A SPOTLIGHT—to make night driving safer; a practical gift for him. Xenia Auto Necessity.

COLLEGIANS—who buy only the best looking shoes, get them at the S. & S. Shoe Store.

CLASSY PIPES—good smokes, cigarettes, holders, everything for the man who smokes. Arcade.

SUTTON'S—Removal sale — Dec. 12. Make this a musical Christmas.

COATS—pocket knives, pocket books O. W. Everhart, 118 E. Main, phone 625.

SMOKES—the kind he likes best. Cigars, pipes, cigarettes. Let us help you select. Roy Hayward.

GIVE HIM—a carton of cigarettes for Xmas. He'll like them. Leo Canny's Billiards.

FORD—emergency kits, rear vision mirrors, windshield wipers. Bryan Motor Sales Co.

GIFTS FOR CHILDREN C

50 SLEDS—worth up to $1.50 each, 49c. Famous Cheap Store.

CANDIES—At wholesale prices. Special rates for schools and churches. Fancy Xmas candy boxes. James Grocery, E. Market.

DOLLS—Geyer's Book Shop.

Christmas Gift Suggestions

GIFTS FOR THE HOME D

GO TO—Sutton's Removal sale for Xmas music. Starts Dec. 12.

RADIO—Geyer's Book Shop.

ALARM CLOCKS—carving sets, etc. O. W. Everhart, 118 E. Main, Phone 625.

HOLIDAY SLIPPERS—All styles, all sizes at Sanz's Shoe Store, 32 East Main St.

NO MORE—drudgery What a nice Xmas present. Get a Maytag washer. Maytag Sales, E. 2nd St.

MOTTOS—Geyer's Book Shop.

A $19.50—Kodel Home-Charger, 5 ampere capacity, $13.75. Famous Auto Supply.

AN ESSEX COACH—for Christmas. H. E. Prince, S. Detroit.

CHEVROLET—get one for Christmas. Surprise the family. Greene Co. Auto Sales Co.

A NIFTY—breakfast room suite can be made from your old kitchen furniture at small cost. Fred F. Graham.

ROLLER CANARIES—high grade birds, all trained singers. Prices $6.00 up. Henry Engleking, 220 N. West St.

GET A—Maytag washer and make the basement happy! An addition to any home. Maytag Sales, E. 2nd St.

FOUNTAIN PENS—Geyer's Book Shop.

STAR SEDAN—A memorable gift for the family. Johnston Motor Sales, W. Main.

DINNER & DECORATIONS E

Celery hearts, fine crisp and tender. Head and leaf lettuce. Special for Xmas. A. Hyman.

FRESH FRUITS—Of all kinds and fine line of Christmas candies. Low prices. Ammer Confectionery, E. Main St.

POULTRY AND MEATS—of all kinds. Finest quality. Send us your Xmas turkey orders early. Buck & Son.

FRESH—country sausage; cooked like mother cooks it; the place for home-cooked foods. Atlas Restaurant.

LAMB CHOPS—shoestring potatoes, brown gravy, coffee, thick luscious pies;—hungry? Appease your appetite at the Interurban Restaurant.

ORANGES-ORANGES-ORANGES
The sweetest, juciest and best on the market. Nuts, all kinds. Lowest prices. A. Hyman.

RICH, SPICY—delicious fruit cakes for Xmas. Home Bakery.

DISTINCTIVE GIFT—cards and Xmas greeting cards. Exclusive line, finely engraved, dainty. Geyer Book Shop.

CHARACTER—coffee;—coffee that is unexcelled for that fragrant cup for your Xmas dinner. Dunkel's.

ROASTS—steaks, soups, vegetables, well cooked, seasoned and flavored. The best menus in town. American Restaurant.

PURE COUNTRY BUTTER—fresh eggs, cottage cheese, fresh country sausage—get them at Waddle's for that Christmas meal.

CHAS. GEORGE—Says, come to the National Restaurant, W. Main St. Coney Islands, Mexican Chili and home made pies.

SUTTON'S—Removal sale starts Dec 12. Pianos, radio sets, all musical instruments reduced just in time for Xmas.

SOUPS—the best homemade soups in town, nourishing and delicious. At the American Restaurant.

NUTS—of all kinds; mixed nuts at low prices. Oranges, all sizes, low price. Xmas trees, spruce and evergreen from Wash. state, all sizes. Ed Nichols Fruit Store.

COAL PRODUCTION WILL BE GREATER

Bridgeport, O., Dec. 22.—Bituminous coal production, for 1925 will exceed 1924 production by not less than 50 million tons, mining men of eastern Ohio said after examining figures issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The total for the first 10 months of the year showed a gain of 27 million tons over the same period last year.

Up to Nov. 1, 507,739,000 tons were shipped from United States mines. During the same period in 1924, the mines produced only 480,986,000 tons of coal.

The bituminous industry is enjoying a boom, due to the anthracite strike, mine officials said. They did not believe, however, that the post-war record of 573 million tons would be equalled.

ELEAZER

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Jacoby of Ashley spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mason and Mrs. Mina Oglesbee. They will also entertain Mrs. Winifred Mason and family Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Oglesbee are installing a Delco Light plant in their home.

The Sewing Club of the Farm Bureau spent Wednesday with Mrs. Elwood Stroup.

Eleazer School will give an entertainment at Eleazer Church Thursday evening. Everybody welcome. Miss Watkins is teacher. Caesarcreek School will give an entertainment Wednesday evening.

Dr. Galloway addressed the Caesarcreek Grange on pioneer history Tuesday evening. The talk was enjoyed and was followed by dinner.

FORBIDS COLLEGE WOMEN SMOKING

Akron, O., Dec. 22.—"No woman shall smoke on the campus of Akron University while I'm here," Dean Elizabeth A. Thompson, dean of women, said in an article in the Buchtelite, a student newspaper.

Dean Thompson admitted that the old order is changing and new customs for women have come with the modern living conditions, but believes that the average American college girl smokes only in a spirit of bravado.

"The real college girl does not really want to smoke on the campus any more than did the girl of 20 years ago. She merely apes the society woman," Dean Thompson said in her article.

"The smoking and drinking college girls exist only in exaggerated books, I have great faith in the average college girl," the Dean declared.

VACATION STARTS

Schools of Xenia, Sugarcreek and Spring Valley Twps. will close Thursday evening, December 24 and reopen Monday morning, January 4, according to D. H. Barnes, superintendent.

Christmas [illegible] and entertainments are [illegible]ured in most of these school[illegible] in the afternoon and evening. Santa Claus will also make his appearance.

Money For Christmas

There are always extra demands for MONEY during the month of December. If you find you are going to be short, call on us; we are well supplied and ready to LOAN any amount you may need.

THE COST—Less than you think and worth many times more.

THE SECURITY—Just the things you own—automobile, pianos, furniture, horses, cattle, etc.

SPRINGFIELD LOAN CO.

OFFICE OPEN EVERY DAY

Phone 291-W. 35 1-2 Green St., Xenia, Ohio.

Dollar Day At ENGILMAN'S

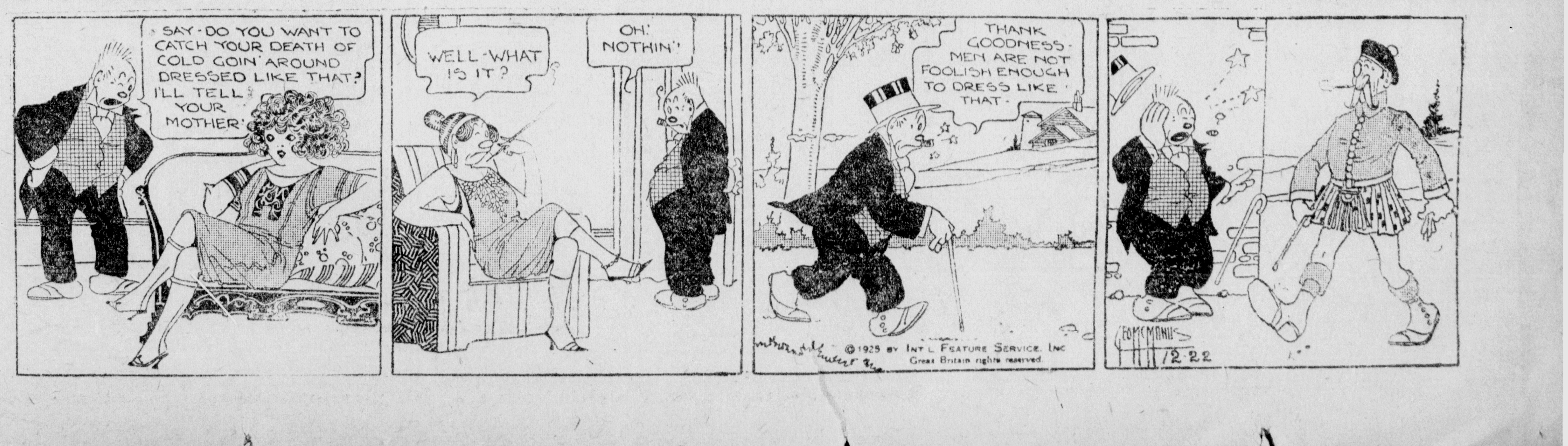
WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, DEC. 23 AND 24.

We still have a good line of Xmas Articles at close out Prices. Give us a look.

10 Nice Size Turkish Towels, 15c quality	$1.00
11 yds. 36 inch Unbleached Muslin, 11c quality	$1.00
7 yds. Genuine "Hope" Bleached Muslin, Special	$1.00
5 yds. 36 in Lighct or Dark Outing, 23c quality	$1.00
7 yds. 27 in. Light White or Dark Outing, 17c quality	$1.00
7 yds. Dark or Light Percale, 18c quality	$1.00
6 yds. Cretonne or Comfort Challie, 20c quality	$1.00
3 yds. Heavy Feather Ticking, 39c quality	$1.00
6 yds. 32 in. Fine Dress Gingham, 20c quality	$1.00
6 yds. Heavy Shirting Flannel, 20c quality	$1.00
3 yds. Asst. Colored Sateen 36 inch , 39c quality	$1.00
2 1-2 yds. 9-4 Pepperal Sheeting, 49c quality	$1.00
2 1-2 yds. White Table Damask, 49c quality	$1.00
3 yds. Striped Dress Serge, 35c quality	$1.00
10 yds. Part Linen Toweling, 15c quality	$1.00
6 yd. All Linen Toweling, 20c quality	$1.00
10 yds. Dress Ginghams, Special	$1.00
2 yds. Silk Mixed Pongee, 69c quality	$1.00
4 yds. Table Oil Cloth, 30c quality	$1.00
6 yds. Asst. Colored Cotton Crepe, 20c quality	$1.00
1 Mens or Ladies' Sweaters, $1.19 quality	$1.00
1 Full Siz eSheet or Spread, $1.49 quality	$1.00
Full Size Cotton Blanket. Per Pr. 2.00. Single	$1.00
1 3Lb. Cotton Batt 72x90. Special quilted	$1.00
2 Men's Work Shirts, 74c quality	$1.00
8 pr. Men's Heavy Work Socks, 15c quality	$1.00
5 pr. Boys' Heavy Stockings, 25c quality	$1.00
5 pr. Ladies' Burson Hose, 35c quality	$1.00

BRINGING UP FATHER

By GEORGE McMANUS



OHIO WHEAT MAKES FLAKY PIE CRUST EXPERTS DECLARE

Though Ohio's soft winter wheats don't command the market price that western hard wheats do, soft-wheat flour alone or a blend of the two can serve the housewife's needs just as well, farm crops and home economics specialists at the Ohio State University say.

For many home uses soft-wheat flours are just as good or better than the hard-wheat product. It is easier, home economics specialists have found, to make tender cake and flaky pie crust with soft-wheat flour. For thickening sauces, gravies, and the hundred and one other small household needs one kind is as good as another—and Ohio soft-wheat flour is cheaper.

To help housewives distinguish between soft-wheat and hard-wheat flours the U. S. Department of Agriculture offers these suggestions:

"The flours from soft wheats have a velvety texture somewhat like cornstarch, and those from hard wheat are usually more gritty, but it requires some experience and a fine sense of touch to detect this difference.

Experts usually do it by taking a pinch of flour and rubbing it lightly between the thumb and the third finger. Another way is to squeeze a handful of it lightl yand notice as the hand is opened, whether the flour remains in a mold and shows the impression of the fingers. In this test a hard-wheat flour acts more like a powder and the mold breaks up more readily than that of a soft-wheat flour.

"Weighing is still another method. A quart of hard-wheat flour sifted once and dipped lightly into the measure, then leveled off, weighs about 16 to 17 ounces, or even more. A quart of soft-wheat flour sifted and measure in the same way weighs only about 14 or 15 ounces.

STUDENTS PROTEST FOREIGN MEETING

Shanghai, Dec. 22—Strong student hostility to the Customs Conference is reported at Hankow.

Recently, the students held a monster demonstration as a protest against the holding of the conference in Peking. They claim that in permitting the conference to be held, the Chief Executive, Tuan Chi-jui, has been guilty of betraying his country to the foreign powers.

The results of the conference, they assert, cannot be of benefit to China but will only "bind her still more tightly under the yoke of foreign oppression."

The demonstration commenced with a mass meeting, after which hundreds of students carrying paper flags paraded the streets and distributed pamphlets.

WILL HOLD CLINIC FOR EVANGELISTS

Defiance, O., Dec. 21.—An evangelical clinic for all pastors, in the Defiance district of the Methodist Episcopal Church is to be held here March 15.

The district is composed of six counties of northwestern Ohio. Bishop Theodore S. Henderson of Cincinnati will preside.

The Rev. George W. Orcutt, field organizer for the Methodist church in Ohio, is organizing the pastors of Defiance county for the clinic.

ENDURANCE

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CHAPTER XIX—Continued

"It's too bad," Connemara murmured consolingly, trying not to giggle. "Still, I'm not so sure it's such a bad thing for us they did make a get-away. We've all been mixed up in some pretty queer proceedings, I'm afraid, and Aunt Celimena would just naturally have died if we'd appeared on the front page of the morning papers. As for the money, you leave that to me. I've a sort of hunch——"

She walked over and held out her hand to the weeping Sweetie, who promptly slapped it away.

"Teeth like a darn fox terrier," she sobbed, and continued to rub her wounded leg.

Connemara again reached out her hand, and this time pulled the other girl to her feet. "I'm so sorry—truly, I am. But I just had to. Now—come in here, won't you, for a minute?"

Brushing her tears from her eyes, Sweetie reluctantly followed Connemara within the moonlit sitting room. "What a fine can of oil I turned out to be," she muttered. "To let a soft little social dame put it over on me."

"Don't feel so badly," Connemara smiled, "I didn't play fair. How could you know I'd bite you?" She put a hand on the girl's shoulder and patted her gently. Then a hard note came into her voice. "It's no use, you know. Hand it over, please."

"But—but—but I'm engaged," she stammered weakly.

Sweetie stared long into Connemara's face. The defiance of her expression gave way to defeat, then to hopelessness. "Yeh, all I get is the wreath of hand-painted raspberries." Shrugging her shoulders, she reached inside her blouse and

"Take the damn stuff," she said, bitterly, "and a lot of good I hope it does you. Now what? The bulls?"

Connemara smiled winningly. "Bulls? You mean the police? Oh, no, Sweetie. What have they got to do with it? I haven't an idea who really owns this money. If it's yours, I'll give it back when you prove it. Meanwhile—we'll just keep still and watch."

"Oh, well," answered Sweetie, "who cares? Naw, it ain't mine. And if it interests you any, I'll tell you I'm glad to see the last of it."

"Poor kid," said Connemara, and once more she patted Sweetie's shoulder. "I like you—a lot. I want to have a talk with you later. Don't you get terribly sick of this sort of life?"

"Aw, for the love of Mike—don't bother about me. I ain't worth it." Nevertheless, with a quick movement, she grasped Connemara's hand and pressed it. "You're a damn good egg yourself."

"Well, what's up?" came Lacy's voice from the doorway. "Find the money?"

Connemara did not hesitate. Her eyelashes flickered slightly in signal to Sweetie as she answered cheerfully, "Um-h'mm, wasn't it bright of me? I must be losing what little mind I have. It's been right where I—I put it, all the time. You just forget what I dreamed about burying it, won't you?"

"Fine," Lacy said imperturbably, but his eyes looked straight into hers with a quick little glow of admiration. "And now, Miss-er, Sweetie, McTish seems to have something he wants to say to you out on the porch."

"Yeh?" Sweetie snickered. "Well, pardon me for livin'." Then to Connemara. "Holler if he gets fresh." She walked sedately out of the room.

"Snap on the lights," Connemara called after her, but Sweetie was already past the switch.

"Never mind the lights," Lacy spoke softly. He advanced to where the slim figure stood, her face lifted slightly in the blue glow of the moonlight. "Connemara——"

Connemara discovered suddenly that she was trembling. There was that in his voice, in the mere saying of her name, that was like little hands caressing her. This must stop. A man she had known for five minutes two years ago, and rather well—she had to admit that—for the twenty-four hours just past. Still, you couldn't call that time enough to— Or could you?

Who was he? What was he? And what right had he to do such things to her with that caress in his voice? She mustered up her old ally, facetiousness . "What a pity you don't make the stage your career."

But he shattered her silly defense efficiently. "Darling," he whispered. "You darling."

His hands were reaching for her. In a moment he would take her in his arms. . . . How to escape? Then, all at once she knew. She didn't want to escape.

"But—but—but I'm engaged," she stammered weakly.

"You bet your life you are!" Lacy exclaimed. Whatever else he may have meant to do or say was cut short by a blood-curding shriek. With a thud remarkably reminiscent of that made by a sack of potatoes cast into a wagon, Aunt Celimena sat heavily down upon the top stair, and slid unceremoniously down upon them.

CHAPTER XX

George Palmer Putnam

By George Palmer Putnam

Halfway down the stairs, Aunt Celimena caught at the banisters, staying her erratic progress hallward, and rose to her feet. Anyone but Aunt Celimena would have been shaken by the sudden pitching forward into the darkness, but that good lady, after the briefest instant of pause to regain her breath, was once more in command of her dignity. Clutching her dressing gown about her, she dominated, by sheer will power, the strange assembly, half grouped in the front hall of Moorelands, and half overflowing upon the broad porch.

"Connemara," she called. "Will you be good enough to come and tell me what this is all about?"

Instead of answering, however, that young lady voiced an observation of her own.

"And now see who's here! The faithful family lawyer himself, completing the cast of our mellow melodrama." Connemara was on the crest again, her strenuous experiences, apparently even her bruises, for the moment forgotten.

Her sally followed the sudden appearance of Adam Brewster descending in Aunt Celimena's wake, the only one of the gathering who was conventionally clad.

"That, my dear, will do," Aunt Celimena spoke grimly. "Naturally Mr. Brewster heard the extraordinary commotion going on downstairs and came to our assistance. Did you expect anyone to sleep through it?"

Her glance took in with deliberation the group below her, one by one, until it rested upon Sweetie in the doorway.

"Were they burglars, or this—this young person's recent associates?" she demanded. "You may remember that I warned you, Constance Mary, what would certainly be the result of bringing her into the house."

Sweetie took the accusation with entire equanimity. Tilting her snub nose to an angle even more acute than nature intended, she grinned impudently into the disapproving eyes of the lady who had thus libeled her, and shrugged her shoulders. It was Aunt Celimena who looked away first.

"I think," she said, to Mr. Brewster behind her, "that there are a number of matters that need explaining—at once."

The lawyer murmured an eager assent. From his expression it was clear that he very much doubted the ability of a number of people to explain—satisfactorily—a number of things, but he charitably refrained from putting this doubt into words.

(To be continued)

CONTRACTS FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT LET IN COLUMBUS MONDAY

Contracts for the remodeling of two sections of the Columbus and Cincinnati Pike into a macadam road from the Xenia corporation line to the Warren County line, were let by the state highway department in Columbus Monday, involving $154,755.63 in highway construction.

Bish and Carey, Ada, O., was low bidder to pave 2.627 miles of the road in Spring Valley Twp. with surface-treated, water-bound macadam grade A limestone. The Ada Co. submitted a bid of $61,737.58.

Low bid of $93,018.05 was submitted by N. B. Putnam, Columbus, for paving 5.372 miles of the pike in Spring Valley and Xenia Twps. with surface-treater, water-bound macadam grade B limestone. Contracts were let to these two concerns.

Four bids were received on the Cincinnati Pike construction work.

Low bids submitted for the work were far below the engineer's cost estimate of improving the pike, it is said.

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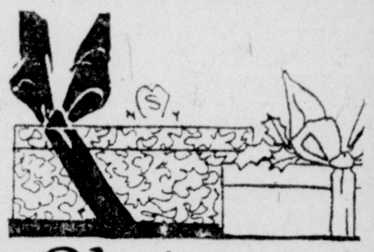

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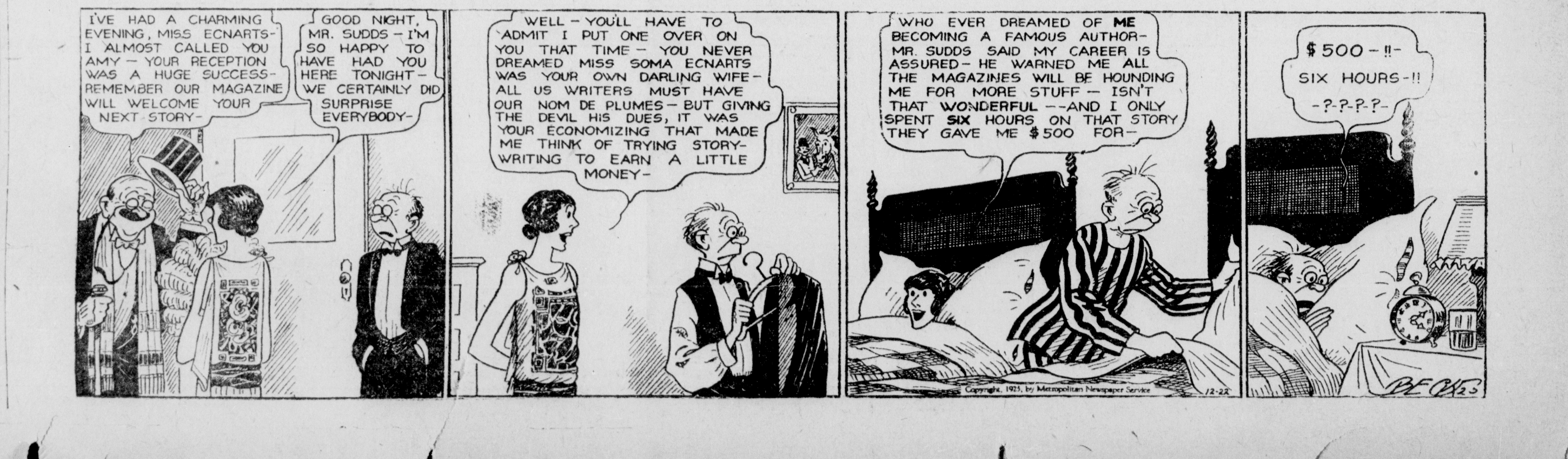
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